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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/25/69

Mrs. BERRY (SHIRLEY) SMITH, daughter of the owner of Nite-Fall Motel, Highway 45 South, Corinth, Mississippi, made available the motel registration records for the period March 29, 1968, to April 3, 1968. The records reveal the names of guests as follows:

HASSELL HALL
Luxora, Arkansas
Arkansas license 351, Dodge

C. P. PRATT
Atlanta, Georgia

Mr. and Mrs. ROY STREMMEL
Route 1
Beardstown, Illinois
Illinois license 173-595, Dodge

ROBERT WILSON
508 West Armitage
Marion, Illinois
Illinois license HN947, Chevrolet

Mr. and Mrs. MANUEL BOLMAN
106 Fairview
Alton, Illinois
Illinois license JV9306, Rambler Station Wagon

FORREST MULLIN
Gosport, Indiana

RONNIE FLANAGAN
19 Webb Street
Hammond, Indiana

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V. E. SELLERS and wife
General Delivery
Greene, Iowa

EARL MEYER
1302 8th Street
Cedar Rapids, Iowa

F. ANDERSON
23 Arthur Street
Minneapolis, Minnesota
(cement contractor)

J. L. BEAN
1200 Church Street
West Point, Mississippi

PAUL E. GRANTHAM
3291 Bienville Drive
Jackson, Mississippi
(U.S. Geological Survey)

L. McGIBANY
St. Louis, Missouri

JAMES FERGUSON
Caruthersville, Missouri

HAROLD HUDGINS
810 Beckwith Avenue
Caruthersville, Missouri

JAMES E. CAGLE
Route 1, Box 1374
Caruthersville, Missouri

Mr. and Mrs. AL JORANDBY
Grafton, North Dakota

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JAMES E. POTTS
Memphis, Tennessee

ROBERT M. LINDBERG
521 Turett Street
Halls, Tennessee
Tennessee license IF4413, Ford

WILLIAM R. HAMMETT
Big Sandy, Tennessee

L. P. DEAN
3rd and Decatur
Richmond, Virginia
Virginia license 555

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/25/69

Mrs. BERRY (SHIRLEY) SMITH, owner and manager, El-Ray Motel, Highway 45 South, Corinth, Mississippi, made available the motel registration records for the period March 29, 1968, to April 3, 1968. These records reveal the names of guests as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. GRADY THOMPSON
Route 1
Cherokee, Alabama

Mr. and Mrs. R. HOLMES
1571 5th Avenue
Vero Beach, Florida
Florida license 32W-5673, Oldsmobile

JIMMY SINTER
6111 Prushing
Danvers Grove, Illinois

T. W. RICHARDSON
Sims, Illinois

L. L. ROBERTSON
Sims, Illinois

JAMES JOHNSON
Chicago, Illinois
Illinois license IL 4692, Oldsmobile

J. LAMBERT
1508 N. Elk Grove
Chicago, Illinois

BERT YEAGER
4203 S. Sheridan
Zion, Illinois
Illinois license MY8682, Pontiac Tempest

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GEORGE FLAYER
LEO WACKER
Marion, Illinois

CHARLES CHOGENGEN
142 Parton Avenue
Calumet City, Illinois
Illinois license 101-101

JIMMY SINTER
6111 Pershing Road
Danvers Grove, Illinois
HN 1228

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. SUMMERS
2033 Broadway
Quincy, Illinois

CLYDE HANCOCK
1807 S. 49th Avenue
Lyons, Illinois

BILLY HANCOCK
8430 45th Street
Lyons, Illinois
Illinois license AR 988, 1964 Pontiac

TALL HUMBERS
212 Cauden Avenue
Michigan City, Indiana

HERSHEL BAINE
512 W. Louisiana Street
Evansville, Indiana
Indiana license 826-512, Chevrolet

J. RICHARD LEE
615 Madison
Gary, Indiana

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DAN E. BRYANT and wife
608 Will
Evansville, Indiana

JAMES ROSSO
1330 Delery Street
New Orleans, Louisiana
Louisiana license 106B788
1968 Chevrolet

GENE ARMSTRONG
1401 Airline Highway
New Orleans, Louisiana
Louisiana license 690-345

CHARLES GRUNDY
36 Avonlea Street
Grand Rapids, Michigan

C.A. EVANS
Southern Household
Shubuta, Mississippi

NOEL SIMMONS
AUDLEY PHELPS
University, Mississippi

PAUL W. CHAPPELL
787 Davis Street
Corinth, Mississippi

KENNETH FORD
Route 4
Booneville, Mississippi

AUDIE RAY DAVIS
Fulton, Mississippi

C. S. COX
Jackson, Mississippi
(Standard Oil Company)

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C. R. LEONARD
Brookhaven, Mississippi
Mississippi license 23555

B. W. PURGASON
Maston, Mississippi

W. C. SEATON
40 Plaza Square
St. Louis, Missouri

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. DICKINSON
16 St. Rita
Bridgeton, Missouri
Missouri license KG7-506, Mercury

C. RALPH GASCHE
Box 42
Delta, Ohio
Ohio license 9518Y

L. E. PRICE and family
Route 2
Greenville, South Carolina
Ohio license 177190

ROBERT PAYNE
Route 7
Sparta, Tennessee
Tennessee license IT-6780

BILL BARNES
Savannah, Tennessee
Tennessee license 3215

JOHN HAYS
111 State Street
Memphis, Tennessee

Mr. and Mrs. G. JOHNSTON
Box 876
Jackson, Tennessee

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ELMER ALSTON
College Street
Halls, Tennessee

Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM PHILLIPS
Crump, Tennessee
Tennessee license IP8559

ROBERT FARRIS
Dyer, Tennessee
1968 Mustang

LAWRENCE SUMMERS
Denton, Texas

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Date 4/24/69

WALTER COUTURE, Manager, Cannoneer Motel,
Highway 45 South, Corinth, Mississippi, made available
the motel registration records for the period March 29,
1968, through April 3, 1968. The following individuals
were registered during this period:

GEORGE GRAHAM
Box 925
Hartselle, Alabama

JOHN M. COLLINS
Box 6227
University, Alabama
Alabama license 63-3013

WILLIAM S. HELMS
3310 Meadow Lane
Montgomery, Alabama
Alabama license 3-42187

CARL COLLEY
102 Colonial Court
Prattville, Alabama

GARWIN DRUMMOND
401 W. Pasades Avenue
Muscle Shoals, Alabama

H. H. ROBBINS
2125 31st Street, Southwest
Birmingham, Alabama

Mr. and Mrs. P. T. CARSON
945 45th Street
Sacramento, California

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CHARLES BEETS and wife
5805 South Fox Street
Littleton, Colorado

Mr. and Mrs. JAMES BAILEY
751 Northeast 83 Terrace
Miami, Florida

Reverend EVERET BATY
6000 East Colonial Drive
Orlando, Florida
Florida license 7W64305

Mr. and Mrs. JOHN D. CORY
801 North Harding Street
Albany, Georgia
Illinois license HH893

Mr. and Mrs. MACK OMLORFF
1645 Fox Drive
Dubuque, Iowa

GROVER F. FULLER
1432 North Druid Hills
Atlanta, Georgia
Georgia license 2-15080

Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs. A. R. SLATTERY
2738 Henry Street
Augusta, Georgia

Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE C. ENGEL
Chatham, Illinois
Illinois license 656738

DON SMITH
2145 Lake Avenue
Wilmette, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. OLEN KEISTER
218 Pine Park
Monmouth, Illinois
Illinois license 500-700

JN 157-9586

Mr. and Mrs. J. CLANEY and sister
South 7th Street
Fairbury, Illinois
Illinois license FR 3805

C. M. BECKTOL
1201 W. Daniel Street
Champaign, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. J. CLYDE EVANS
1715 South Park
Springfield, Illinois

FRANK J. CLARKE
82 Birch
Park Forest, Illinois

EDWIN LEWIS
Cameron, Illinois
Illinois license 192663

K. RODEEN
423 East Pells
Paxton, Illinois

R. E. HOISINGTON
Stillman Valley, Illinois
Illinois license 211-190, Chrysler

J. BARCUS
315 Ellis Street
Centralia, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. EDWIN SUDBRIUK
281 Division
Virginia, Illinois
Illinois license

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Mr. and Mrs. J. E. SCOTT
1601 Oklahoma Avenue
Matloosa, Illinois
Illinois license 47474

Mr. and Mrs. JOHN MOLENSTRA
3628 West 111th Street
Chicago, Illinois
Illinois license G06051

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. HIGGINS
Ellisville, Illinois
Illinois license 437-804

Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT HUNT
8 Lourst Hill
Crawfordsville, Indiana
Indiana license 54A8415

R. L. THREIKELD
317 South 8th
Chariton, Iowa
Iowa license 59-2866

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. REYNOLDS
455 Westwood Drive
Ames, Iowa
Iowa license 85-4798

S. G. BERANOK and wife
Solon, Iowa
Iowa license 52-256

JAMES L. MacLOUD
502 East Academy
Jennings, Louisiana

Mr. and Mrs. MARK E. CONKLIN
17321 Kentfield
Detroit, Michigan
Michigan license AL7744

JN 157-9586

A. E. WERP
15909 Hubbell
Detroit, Michigan 48227
Michigan license BH 0383

LEO GERCHMAN
137 Spruce
Eveleth, Minnesota
Minnesota license 8FG136

STUART C. STETSON
1232 Winnrose
Jackson, Mississippi
Mississippi license HD10508

W. C. McMASTER
101 Redrich Avenue
Grenada, Mississippi
Mississippi license 22-4226

JOE POLLOCK
18 Monroe, Apartment 9
Grenada, Mississippi
Mississippi license 22-9526

A. J. NEAL
1004 Fulton Avenue
Meridian, Mississippi
Mississippi license F/673686

JAMES E. HUNT
5002 Kendall Avenue
Gulfport, Mississippi
Mississippi license 610661

GERALD DRAWMAN
Tupelo, Mississippi

JN 157-9586

MARVIN ALFORD
Florence, Mississippi
Mississippi license T-2925

J. A. WAINWRIGHT, JR.
6077 Waverly Drive
Jackson, Mississippi

ROBERT L. BOUNDS
P. O. Box 536
Brandon, Mississippi

LEON ARMSTRONG
Box 299
Verona, Mississippi

Mr. and Mrs. HERBERT W. BERZ
186 East Market Street
Winona, Mississippi

JOE COX
Ripley, Mississippi

RAYMOND YANCEY
Ripley, Mississippi

PRENTISS PEARSON
1110 Fillmore Drive
Tupelo, Mississippi

JOHN SIMPSON
110 Vance Place
Long Beach, Mississippi

P. G. STEELE
Greenwood, Mississippi
Mississippi license N-7153

THOMAS L. McNAMARA and wife
611 East 110th Terrace
Kansas City, Missouri
Missouri license 9-137

JN 157-9586

GLENN MUNSON
801 Delchester
Kirkwood, Missouri

Mr. and Mrs. I. SCHOENWALD
615 Wyandotte
Kansas City, Missouri

LOREN ATKINS
3690 James Road
Hannibal, Missouri

L. S. MORTON
7430 Hazel
St. Louis, Missouri

BILL WOOLERY
1717 West 18th Street
Sedalia, Missouri
Missouri license BE9-596

Mr. and Mrs. HARTMAN
5830 Wilshire
Lincoln, Nebraska
Nebraska license 2-F9649

Mr. and Mrs. EATON P. HUTCHINSON
146 Sanford Street
Glen Falls, New York

ROBERT W. VINCENT
320 Park Avenue
New York, New York

MARTIN LANGENBERG
408 East Grand Avenue
Springfield, Ohio
Tennessee license HP9562

EDWARD PILOSKE
10156 Winstead Lane
Cincinnati, Ohio

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H. GAEDE
5369 Lauren
Cincinnati, Ohio
License 8-88-CG

R. E. GARLINGTON
5928 East 36 Street
Tulsa, Oklahoma
Oklahoma license ZA7535

GLENN U. SMITH
2501 Oregon Pike
Lancaster, Pennsylvania
Pennsylvania license K82-201

JAMES W. MYERS
219 South Aberdeen Avenue
Wayne, Pennsylvania
Pennsylvania license 196-614

Mr. and Mrs. LEWIS SNEESBY
Lake Preston, South Dakota
License 42-1159

CECIL D. BARTHOTON
975 Illinois Avenue, Southwest
Huron, South Dakota
South Dakota license 4-10226, Imperial

H. D. McCLENDON
540 Vine Street
Chattanooga, Tennessee

J. W. CALDWELL
334 Lynn Drive
Nashville, Tennessee
Tennessee license AL8350

ROBERT COLLINS
Nashville, Tennessee

JN 157-9586

NICK BINGHAM
500 High
Dyersburg, Tennessee
Tennessee license SD1154

GEORGE W. LOGAN
1250 Cooper
Memphis, Tennessee

ROSS DYSON
4355 Cherrydale
Memphis, Tennessee

W. H. TATE
4880 Spottswood Road
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license K0-3289

JOHN E. JACKSON
1033 Vaughn
Memphis, Tennessee

W. O. CALDWELL, Sr.
1564 Hayne Road
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license BG4770

LOIS WOOD
1314 Summer Street
Union City, Tennessee

JOHNNY SPARKE
1915 Evelyn
Memphis, Tennessee

BARTON C. BROOKS
1437 Yorkshire Drive
Memphis, Tennessee

BILL GREGORY
404 West Grand
Jackson, Tennessee

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TAD SMITH
4537 Tammy Lane
Memphis, Tennessee

T. C. FORD and wife
Bristol, Tennessee
Tennessee license CY2100

JAMES B. CASON
1673 Southwall Street
Memphis, Tennessee
Michigan license CN-1162

RUSS FRISBIE
4545 Windward Drive
Whitehaven, Tennessee

A. T. MORGAN
293 Cecilia Drive
Memphis, Tennessee

BARTON C. BROOKS
1437 Yorkshire Drive
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license BF6726

PETER KNOOP
Box 3637
Nashville, Tennessee
Tennessee license JJ8970

HARRY LANE and JACK WRIGHT
102 Mason Street
Jackson, Tennessee
Tennessee license LR1471

DANNY JAMES
213 East Cheatan
Union City, Tennessee

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BOB SWITZER
Trimble, Tennessee

DAVID W. WILKINS
5157 Woodlark
Memphis, Tennessee

ROBERT COLLINS
Nashville, Tennessee

HARRY LANE
102 Mason Street
Jackson, Tennessee
Tennessee license LR 4177

J. W. HAWK
Post Office Box 12385
Memphis, Tennessee
(Sunray DX Oil)

BILL MOONEY
1974 Burnham Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee

JERRY MacGREGOR
4990 Haleville Road
Memphis, Tennessee

R. A. FAIRCLOTH
3777 Coral Street
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license KP2090

DENT BRANDT
Route 2
Potosi, Wisconsin

WILLIAM HOMOLA, Sr.
Route 2
Stone Lake, Wisconsin
License ZLA-527

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/24/69

WILLIAM PHILLIPS, Owner, Phillips Motel, Highway 72 West, Corinth, Mississippi, made available the motel registration records for the period March 29, 1968, through April 3, 1968. The following individuals were registered during this period:

H. C. SMITH
1725 30 Avenue North
Birmingham, Alabama
Alabama license 52P173

J. C. BEELER
Huntsville, Alabama
(Southern Railway Company)

LLOYD HOWARD
404 Nixon Street
Albertville, Alabama

J. H. MAULDIN
5100 North 13th Avenue
Birmingham, Alabama

DONALD ROYER
Black Oak, Arkansas

W. HOWELL
Little Rock, Arkansas

AARON DECKER
Route 1
Viola, Arkansas

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DON BALLENGER
Route 2, Box 1025
Vacaville, California
California license VJM917

ROBERT NORDINL
815 Pismo Court
San Diego, California
California license WJV225

ROBERT ANDERS
9588 Camuhos
Montclair, California

A. W. BREWER
1107 Byron Street
Bainbridge, Georgia

GERALD SMITH
Fort Dodge, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. STYERS, Sr.
1808 West Main
Chanute, Kansas

JAMES B. FERRELL
Grand Junction, Michigan

BILL and SANDY FERRELL
Route 1
Grand Junction, Michigan

J. D. TOMPKINS
Kosciusko, Mississippi

SHELBY GLIDEWELL
Gainesville, Missouri

W. O. CONNACE
4721 Willow Avenue
Lorain, Ohio
Indiana license 13459C

JN 157-9586

SAM MITCHELL
Box 893
Charleston, South Carolina
South Carolina license 40868

AUBREY S. LYOND
Center Street
Collierville, Tennessee
Tennessee license K02358

G. W. GILES
113 Spence Street
Athens, Tennessee
Tennessee license E26464

FREDDIE DAVIS
Route 4
Portland, Tennessee

C. L. (illegible)
3095 Lamar
Memphis, Tennessee

B. R. CHAMBLESS
Dallas, Texas
Texas license 454818

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Date 4/24/69

HOWARD STARNES, Manager, Illinois Motel, Highway 45 North, Corinth, Mississippi, made available the motel registration records for the period March 29, 1968, through April 3, 1968. The following individuals were registered during this period:

A. D. ASHCRAFT
1603 Freeman Avenue, Southwest
Decatur, Alabama

W. L. LEDBETTER
104 5th Avenue
Decatur, Alabama

LEON V. MEADOWS
505 South Conception
Mobile, Alabama

L. GARRISON
1005 Danville Road, Southwest
Decatur, Alabama

TERRY JOHNSON
2821 Forest Home
Jonestown, Arkansas

GEORGE RUNSHANG (?)
521 North Breyon
Little Rock, Arkansas
Arkansas license ABD-050

Mr. and Mrs. WAYNE ABO
Box 2063
Panama City, Florida

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SA JOHN S. CASTLES FGH/bdb Date dictated 4/24/69

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JAKE STAHL
4621 25th Avenue South
St. Petersburg, Florida

JAMES A. HAYWOOD
Jacksonville, Florida
Florida license 2WW2700

JAMES STANCEILL
3734 Peachtree Road, Northeast
Atlanta, Georgia
Georgia license 1-A-2856

GEORGE DOERNER
620 East 52nd Street
Savannah, Georgia

ROBERT KOMMERS
1255 North Sandberg
Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. GLEN DELP
2100 East Monroe
Springfield, Illinois

CHARLES CLAXTON
229 South Walnut
Litchfield, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. CHRIS KNUDSEN
New Holland, Illinois
Illinois license 322-733

JIMMY W. FAULKNER
776 Sharon
Park City (Chicago), Illinois
Illinois license LB 3491

HAROLD ROSIER
309½ East Carter
Kokomo, Indiana

Mr. and Mrs. ED SMILEY
Route 1
Kalkaska, Michigan

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JOE KELLUM and FRED ROWLAND
905 East Main
Charleston, Mississippi

CURTIS W. STOVER
4128 Cedar Street
Jackson, Mississippi

FRANK BURROW
Jackson, Mississippi
(State Highway Department)
License S/6 574

JOHN H. HAMMETT
657 West Washington
Kirkwood, Missouri

ED GREEN
4373 Laclede
St. Louis, Missouri
Missouri license SL0597

DEAN WILKES
7207 Prospect
Kansas City, Missouri

L. F. OHLINGER
4803 Sonic Drive
Ravenna, Ohio

NEIL A. VITENSE
Columbia, South Dakota
South Dakota license 3-18270

LeROY AUSTIN
3540 Wilshire
Memphis, Tennessee
License BV5975

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P. D. MERRILL
3050 Richmond Hill
Nashville, Tennessee
Ohio license 8W899

JIM and FLOYD CROWE
609 Tremont
Chattanooga, Tennessee
(United Van Lines)

DREW GATES
1236 Madison
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license BP-272

Mrs. JOE GREENE
116 Third
Jackson, Tennessee
Tennessee license DG 1942

CARL MANN
Route 4
Huntingdon, Tennessee
License KA 7581

Mr. and Mrs. JIM F. NORTHAM
540 East Olive Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license A5-2693

J. E. WILLIAMS
Memphis, Tennessee

MYRON C. WALL
3625 Graceland
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license BR 6231

D. C. RICH
2102 Southeast 26 Avenue
Mineral Wells, Texas
Texas license FDF 458

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Mr. and Mrs. CLIFFORD GARDNER
Pittsville, Wisconsin
License W27088

Mr. and Mrs. MARSHALL A. RICE
Route 2, Highway 19
Sun Prairie, Wisconsin
License Q74-020

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Date 4/24/69

Mrs. LOUISE BREWER, Manager, Round-Town Motel,
Highway 45, North, Corinth, Mississippi, made available
the motel registration records for the period March 29,
1968, through April 3, 1968. The following individuals
were registered during this period:

JAMES R. GREEN
Route 2
Red Bay, Alabama

LEON BLAXTON
Courtland, Alabama

NORRIS McDADE
Little Rock, Arkansas
(representing Sterling Store)

WILLIAM CHITTY
Widener, Arkansas
Arkansas license 3950

WAYNE BAKER
Forest City, Arkansas
License J5034

HOMER (last name illegible)
425 Pike
North Little Rock, Arkansas

N. V. PEDERSON
Congress, Saskatchewan, Canada

JESSE COCHRAN
10818 1087 Street North
Largo, Florida

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SID CLEVLEN
115 Wallmunda
Port Richey, Florida
Florida license 28D1760, Rambler

SAMMY S. BULLIGTER
New Port Richey, Florida

Mr. and Mrs. O. RUNNER
Route 1, Box 236A
Clermont, Florida

Mrs. PAUL W. HAYES
857 Northwest Deedra Street
Port Charlotte, Florida
Florida license 53-503

N. C. LADNER
Big Pine Key, Florida
Florida license 38-2211, Dodge

HOWARD H. LAVON
518 Tschetter Drive
Auburndale, Florida

JAMES COLLIN
Sheldon, Illinois
Indiana license 7829E

Mr. and Mrs. CECIL M. CARTER
1745 West Division Street
Decatur, Illinois
Illinois license CC 1745

O. H. WOLTERS
Route 3
Sparta, Illinois
Alabama license 1A92256

JN 157-9586

Mr. and Mrs. EARL JURZE
2919 Custer Avenue
Rockford, Illinois

Mr. W. L. PARKERSON
1115 Harlem Boulevard
Rockford, Illinois

ALLEN AUGHENBAUGH and wife
3845 Aberdeen
Alton, Illinois

M. L. SHAFFER
609 South 10th
Quincy, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. J. MacGREGOR
7704 Adams Street
Forest Park, Illinois
Illinois license JM 7704

Mr. and Mrs. I. PESSES
1804-16th Street
Rock Island, Illinois
Illinois license PA 2401

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. ANDERSON
814 Oakland Avenue
Joliet, Illinois
Illinois license 87-317

CHESTER W. BRADLEY
730 West Harrison Street
Decatur, Illinois

BUELL PATTERSON
223 East Jeffries
Winchester, Illinois
Illinois license E2-5548

JN 157-9586

Mr. and Mrs. JOHN THOMPSON
Nelson, Illinois

STEPHEN JEGEL
153 East High Street
Edwardsville, Illinois

C. D. RUGRODEN
306 East Main Street
Sidney, Illinois

R. W. ROGERS
6970 Conn Street
Merrillville, Indiana

K. L. DuMONT
4741 Baltimore
Hammond, Indiana

L. PIGG
Route 1
Terre Haute, Indiana

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. SPENCER
Star Park
Charles City, Iowa

Mrs. W. W. FREEBERU
19 Colony Drive
Muscatine, Iowa
Iowa license 70-1288

FRED LYKINS
Route 1
Tollesboro, Kentucky

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. RUDOLPH
330 North 31 Street
Paducah, Kentucky
Kentucky license 558849

JN 157-9586

GOLDER, KIRK
Benton, Kentucky
Kentucky license KY 9654

Mr. and Mrs. HARRY M. SMITH and sons
65720 Place Road
Richmond, Michigan
Michigan license MG3356

Mrs. CARL A. BEA
Route 2, Box 150
Ironton, Minnesota
Minnesota license MIG 985

CHARLES L. EZELL
3615 Hood Drive
Jackson, Mississippi
Mississippi license T-2038

WOODY BIGGS
906 East College
Clinton, Mississippi

THOMAS GRAYSON
334 Murdock Street
Corinth, Mississippi

Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT Y. LAMERE
109 Katherine Drive
Vicksburg, Mississippi

TED Mc GOSNELL
4717 Oak Ridge Boulevard
St. Louis, Missouri

Mr. and Mrs. ED GRABEN
36 Frass Street
University City, Missouri

JN 157-9586

CARL TRASSER
2521 Tyrell
Jennings, Missouri
License EC1720

GORDON L. MOORE
Columbia, Missouri
Missouri license PS0-393, Mustang

LEROY OLDER
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Hazelwood, Missouri

ELMER SARGINT
3501 Chevrelet Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri
Missouri license 2147

LOUIS LAFFREDO
8735 17 Avenue
Brooklyn, New York

DAVID MORTON
6851 West Ridge Road
Lorain, Ohio
Ohio license ZV720

WAYMON MICHALL
607 Johndon Street
Savannah, Tennessee
Tennessee license LF 6109

T. O. PANKY
6214 Heather Drive
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license BE5221

TERRY HATCH
999 Wood Long Street
Memphis, Tennessee

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ALBERT DILLON
2221 North Third
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license 1P9688

Mr. and Mrs. ELMER NICHOLS
P. O. Box 931
Selmer, Tennessee

L. N. BURY
Rockvale, Tennessee
(Memphis Silo Company)

PEGGY THOMPSON
306 Ardes Street
Sulphur Springs, Texas
License KE0219

(Name and street illegible)
Hayward, Wisconsin
Wisconsin license T22-361

Mr. GOLDA PEARSON
5036 Fond de Lac Road
Oshkosh, Wisconsin

Mr. and Mrs. S. FOTE
4052 North 91st Street
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/29/69

Mrs. G. N. PRUETTE, Owner, Teetotum Motel, U.S. Highway 72 East, Corinth, Mississippi, made available the motel registration records for the period March 29, 1968, through April 3, 1968. The following individuals were registered during this period:

LOIS HINDMAN
Corinth, Mississippi

J. B. GUY
Route 2
Meridian, Mississippi

JAMES PHILLIPS
Route 5
Laurel, Mississippi

EUGENE BREWER
North Cumberland Street
Morristown, Tennessee
Tennessee license LE-1196

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Date 4/24/69

H. C. FREEMAN, Owner and Operator, Corona Plaza Motel, Highways 72 and 45, Corinth, Mississippi, made available the motel registration records for the period March 29, 1968, through April 3, 1968. The following individuals were registered during this period:

PAUL FIELDER
147 Robert E. Lee
Leeds, Alabama

G. M. McEACHERIN
3120 North 27th Street
Birmingham, Alabama

Mrs. ENLA M. CORVAN
1123 South 10 Place
Birmingham, Alabama

R. G. LUTTRELL
1348 Hatfield Lane
Birmingham, Alabama

JOHN DOBBS
1003 Peas Street
Florence, Alabama

RAY TODD
206 Carol Drive
Trussville, Alabama

JOHN M. BRUSH
8734 Edgehill Drive, Southeast
Huntsville, Alabama

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KEN CRAWFORD and wife
29 Orchard Drive
Cullman, Alabama

Mr. and Mrs. MARTIN BERSANO
513 Terry Street
Longmont, Colorado
Georgia license 1D25131, Falcon

Mr. and Mrs. CARL CRUSE
601 Southeast 5th Avenue
Pompano Beach, Florida
Florida license 10-61837, Rambler

JONATHAN PUGH
221 Cedar Park
Sarasota, Florida
Illinois license 254-545, Continental

A. B. COLLINS, Jr.
2847 Osborne Road, Northeast
Atlanta, Georgia 30319

W. S. BLOUNT
3496 Lenardo Drive, Southwest
Atlanta, Georgia

DWIGHT K. ROBINSON
Fort Gordon, Georgia
(Civil Affairs School)

Mr. and Mrs. WAYNE SCRIBNER
214 South Crea Street
Decatur, Illinois

WALTER LIMIRICK
Galatia, Illinois

TOM CLARK
504 Barton Street
Newton, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. LYLE BAILEY
Route 1
Willow Hill, Illinois
Illinois license 247373

JAMES STANLEY
90 Suburban Drive
Elkhart, Indiana

WILLIAM C. NICHOLS
602 West 13th Street
Vinton, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. HALKER
Route 1
Monticello, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. WIMMER
2619 North Court
Ottumwa, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. HEMPSTEAD
2614 South Maple Street
Sioux City, Iowa

CLAIR L. ROCKKOTZ and wife
2530 East 29
Des Moines, Iowa

GREENE KLOGGS
2631 Dunoe Road
Louisville, Kentucky

W. T. MASON and wife
230 Locke Boulevard
Paducah, Kentucky

Mr. and Mrs. J. DORENBUSCH
1016 11th Street
Carvelton, Kentucky

Mr. and Mrs. PAUL MOORE
Bowling Green, Kentucky

E. B. McINTYRE
Route 5
Scottsville, Kentucky
Kentucky license 9-073

GEORGE T. MUSCOVALLEY
P. O. Box 171
Columbus, Kentucky

Judge and Mrs. EARL J. MAXWELL
2424 West 22nd Street
Minneapolis, Minnesota

G. L. WALTON and J. H. LOCKE
712 Henderson
Greenwood, Mississippi
Mississippi license P/622538

HOWARD JONES
675 Scenic Drive
Grenada, Mississippi

CHARLES E. BANES
Raymond, Mississippi
(Federal Land Bank Association)

KENNETH WOOD
Box 7
Jonestown, Mississippi

BOBBY SHAW and JAY CLARK
University, Mississippi

FRANCIS WILLIAMS
University, Mississippi
(Department of Agriculture)

JULIUS C. REEVES
5350 Clair Street
Jackson, Mississippi
Mississippi license H16748

PAT H. THOMPSON
P. O. Box 682
Magee, Mississippi

ED WALTON
State College, Mississippi

LLOYD L. FRITCH
1500 Glem Drive
Amory, Mississippi
(Valley Tractor and Equipment Corporation)

MARIA INGRAM
Route 2
Seminary, Mississippi

THOMAS J. HOBBER
YMCA
Jackson, Mississippi
(1007 Jackson
Corinth, Mississippi)

LAY HINDMAN
Harper Road
Corinth, Mississippi

JENNINGS DAVIS
709 Magnolia
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

PHILIP D. BAILEY
P. O. Box 71
Plantersville, Mississippi
(Brown and Williamson Tobacco Company)
Mississippi license 73-5006

AARON GUTHRIE
Route 1
Burnsville, Mississippi

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JAMES W. PENDERGRAPH
Jeff Davis Hotel
Tupelo, Mississippi

TOMMY SUTTERFIELD
1704 East Church Street
Booneville, Mississippi
Mississippi license 593292

MIKE SIMS
2755 Pine Tree Drive
Jackson, Mississippi

J. T. THOMPSON
212 Summerhaven Drive
Columbus, Mississippi

B. L. McMILLON
Madison, Mississippi

ROBBIE S. RUDDER
614 Browder Street
Columbus, Mississippi
Mississippi license 9-9835

D. ADRIAN WARREN
P. O. Box 2305
Laurel, Mississippi

CHARLES McCARTY
Gardner Center
Laurel, Mississippi

JOHN WILLIS
741 North State Street
Jackson, Mississippi
(Jackson Dental Supplies)

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CLIFF PORTERFIELD
1434 Sunset Circle
Clarksdale, Mississippi
(Coahoma Chemical Company)

W. HAROLD EMERSON
45 Oak Terrace
Webster Groves, Missouri

JACK HUNSTEIN
1177 Glenway Drive
Glendale, Missouri

Mr. and Mrs. FRED L. EASTMAN
3026 Awonda Road
Lima, Ohio

GERALD EPGREMON
738 Walnut Oak Street
Sand Springs, Oklahoma

J. C. SHOLAR
P. O. Box 17675
Memphis, Tennessee

JAMES HAYNES
528 South Washington
Brownsville, Tennessee
(Major Casket Company)

JAMES WARD
2153 Gayle
Memphis, Tennessee

D. B. COX
Memphis, Tennessee

BILLY WEBB, 1106 Kansas
Memphis, Tennessee

G. C. PYLE
Memphis, Tennessee

J. D. PRIESTER
1391 Laudees
Memphis, Tennessee

CARL ROSSER
4310 Fizer
Memphis, Tennessee

HENRY BLACK
3492 Southland
Memphis, Tennessee

R. B. MULROY
525 St. Nick Drive
Memphis, Tennessee
(George B. Jones and Company)

F. M. GILBREATH
1019 Sandra
Memphis, Tennessee

DANNY BOUCHELLON
718 Madison
Memphis, Tennessee
(George B. Jones and Company)

HOUSTON COUCH
Savannah, Tennessee

MAXINE PIERCE
517 East Heights Street
Lawrenceburg, Tennessee

LARRY MEYLES
1106 Kansas
Memphis, Tennessee

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ANN PAWFLY
612 Waring
Memphis, Tennessee

A. D. PIPKIN
2707 McMurray
Memphis, Tennessee
(U.S. Post Office)

J. E. MURRAY
7930 Pipesmont
Houston, Texas
(B & C Construction Company)

GEORGE S. GRAY
1040 Neel Road
Pampa, Texas
Texas license 3PC478

ROBERT C. WALES
Apartment 10, 108 South Bowser Road
Richardson, Texas
Texas license KLG826

Mrs. TED MOODY
Hayward, Wisconsin

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Date 4/24/69

Mrs. FREDDIE GLOVER, Owner, Merry Acres Motel,
Highway 45 North, Corinth, Mississippi, made available
the motel registration for the period March 29, 1968,
through April 3, 1968. The following individuals were
registered during this period:

EDWARD MOSS
Rogersville, Alabama
Alabama license 44-96Y

K. BRYANT
Friendship, Arkansas

RAYMOND DAVIS
Macomb, Illinois
Route 3

W. M. HARNBACK
10509 Sedalia
Louisville, Kentucky
Kentucky license N67592

R. M. RUDOLPH
330 N. 31st Street
Paducah, Kentucky
Kentucky license 558844

GEORGE E. BUTLER
333 Madison
Wiggins, Mississippi

EARNEST W. KELLY and family
Route 2, Box 302
Wentzville, Missouri

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L. H. BAMSEY
Eudora, South Dakota
South Dakota license 51-1332

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Date 4/24/69

Mr. PAUL HAYES, Manager, Dixie Court, Highway 45 North, Corinth, Mississippi, made available the motel registration records for the period March 29, 1968, through April 3, 1968. The following individual was registered during this period:

IVAN SCHWARTZ
228 North Webb Avenue
Reedsburg, Wisconsin
Wisconsin license J25-057, Plymouth Wagon

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J. H. WICKER, Manager, No-El Motel, Highway 72 East, Corinth, Mississippi, made available the motel registration records for the period March 29, 1968, through April 3, 1968. The following individuals were registered during this period:

RED SHARP
Scottsboro, Alabama

B. H. PLEMONS
Box 385
Steele, Alabama
Alabama license 59-1044

J. A. SMELLY
Sheffield, Alabama

VERA ELKINS
Jasper, Alabama
(Olen Mills representative)

L. O. ELLIS
Sheffield, Alabama

C. D. WRIGHT
Box 939
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Mr. and Mrs. BILL SALMON
Salmon Lane
Harrison, Arkansas

(name illegible)
3530 Minkolo
Sarasota, Florida

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D. H. HATOBETT
Bremen, Georgia
Georgia license 64A591

J. L. YOUNG, Jr.
1002 Forrest Boulevard
Decatur, Georgia

WILLIAM R. PARKER
15 Vine Court
Savannah, Georgia
Georgia license 3-D-889

C. S. CARSON and wife
Route 1
Sadorus, Illinois
Illinois license JE1010, Chevrolet

BOB FORMAN
Evansville, Indiana

Miss MARTHA COSCINO
1205 North Rampart
New Orleans, Louisiana
License 38-B-685

BILL and SANDY FERRELL
Route 1
Grand Junction, Michigan

JAMES D. FERRELL
Grand Junction, Michigan

WALTER PICKWICK
20440 Spencer
Detroit, Michigan

Mr. and Mrs. GALE BUTTERFIELD
118 Palmer Street, Northeast
Grand Rapids, Michigan
Michigan license JA45-70

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LOIS HINDMAN
Parker Road
Corinth, Mississippi

JESSIE CLARK
1202 Meggie Street
Tupelo, Mississippi
Mississippi license 21-726

THOMAS R. SMITH
Route 2
Corinth, Mississippi

JOEL EVANS and TOMMY COWART
2212 Bell Avenue
Columbus, Mississippi

GARY LOWE
2212 Bell Avenue
Columbus, Mississippi

SAMMUEL WILLIAMS
805 Cemetery Street
Corinth, Mississippi

C. T. WALKER
1450 West Capitol Street
Jackson, Mississippi
Mississippi license H-44460

BRICKLE
837 Highland Drive
Las Vegas, New Mexico

Mr. and Mrs. LEIGH KETCH
249 Penfield Road
Rochester, New York
New York license MR 866

JN 157-9586

PAULINE BULLARD and G. L. LAWSON
208 East 11th
Wewoka, Oklahoma

CHARLES WALTERS
1505 Vera Cruz
Memphis, Tennessee
Arkansas license B122-34

P. E. BENNETT
3730 Earls Court Road
Memphis, Tennessee

CHARLES T. BROWN
950 Runyan Drove
Chattanooga, Tennessee

THOMAS J. MYRICK
4530 Almo
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license KP 1493

DAVID F. NABORS
412 Old Hickory Boulevard
Nashville, Tennessee

W. H. CARLETON
109 Bellevue
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license KW7890

P.A.S. Talen Company, Incorporated
P. O. Box 349
Trenton, Tennessee

TONY WALKER
301 South Royal
Jackson, Tennessee

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Date 4/24/69

Mr. DON M. STRICKLAND, Manager, Holiday Inn, Highway 72 West, Corinth, Mississippi, made available the motel registration records for the period March 29, 1968, through April 3, 1968. The following individuals were registered during this period:

Mr. A. R. BOWMAN
3225 Bonny View Drive
Birmingham, Alabama
Alabama license 1-93262

CURTIS L. ANTHONY
2432 5th Place, N.W.
Birmingham, Alabama
Georgia license 1J44720, Plymouth

ROBERT T. JENKINS
1824 29 Avenue South
Birmingham, Alabama
Alabama license 1-56534, Oldsmobile

F. C. TANNA
9 E. Park
Sylacauga, Alabama

JACK P. VESTER
2193 Whiting Road
Birmingham, Alabama
Alabama license 1-82977, Chevrolet

C. E. KINCAID
1133 South 52 Street
Birmingham, Alabama
(Life of Alabama)
Alabama license 1-71067, Chevrolet

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WILLIAM E. SCHIESZ
3212 Cahaba Heights Road
Birmingham, Alabama
Alabama license 1-29415, Cadillac

L. F. SHAW
Box A
Jemison, Alabama
Southeastern Tool and Die
Alabama license 1-77420, Buick

THOMAS F. LEONARD
1003 N. Cherokee
Dothan, Alabama
Florida license 19-44758, Buick

Mr. and Mrs. E. FAIRBANKS
4402 Judith Lane
Huntsville, Alabama
Alabama license 47-10059

DAVE ARCHER
Huntsville, Alabama
Alabama license 47-71792, Ford

EUGENE LEE
626 Mt. Gap Drive
Huntsville, Alabama
Alabama license 47-12981, Buick

G. W. CROWDER
9232 Brookhurst Drive
Birmingham, Alabama

JOHN B. RAY
4424 Montainoale Road
Birmingham, Alabama

WILLIAM E. SCHIESZ
3212 Cahaba Heights Road
Birmingham, Alabama
Alabama license 1-29415, Cadillac

JN 157-9586

ROBERT E. PAYNE
36 Crestview Circle
Birmingham, Alabama
Alabama license 1-96219, Chevrolet

JOE W. HARRISON
2512 North 16 Street
Birmingham, Alabama

JOHN B. EGGERLING
309 Wingate Avenue
Huntsville, Alabama
Alabama license 47-1030, Oldsmobile

JAMES F. FLOWERS
500 Water Avenue
Selma, Alabama

ALLEN L. WAHLERS
3607 Cedarhill Drive
Huntsville, Alabama
Alabama license 52-2757

D. E. NESTEROWICK
7914 Ensley Dr. S.W.
Huntsville, Alabama
Chrysler Corporation
Michigan license CY6911, Dodge

S. F. NELSON
318 Wingate Avenue, S.W.
Huntsville, Alabama

B. S. MANLEY
1802 Oak Street, N.W.
Birmingham, Alabama
Alabama 1-99549, Plymouth

JAMES E. BESHENS
Route 1
Killen, Alabama

JN 157-9586

S. G. PURYEAR
61 Robinwood Drive
Little Rock, Arkansas

F. W. DUDLEY
15 Hillcrest Drive
Paragould, Arkansas
Arkansas license ALA-628

JIMMY POPE
1221 Porter Street
Helena, Arkansas
Mississippi license H27033, Ford

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. BLACK
1138 Main
Batesville, Arkansas
Arkansas license BAY-346

G. K. PURYEAR
201 Steven Drive
Little Rock, Arkansas

BLANCHE GRANT
Route 4, Box 160
Blytheville, Arkansas
Arkansas license AEG922, Ford

PHILLIP MISLER
1 Coolwood Drive
Little Rock, Arkansas
Arkansas license ACY 110, Ford

W. O. JAMES
350 Waverley Street
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
Tennessee license AM63M, Dodge

JAMES T. CARLEY
33 Sky Edge Drive
Bethel, Connecticut
Tennessee license CN 7915, Plymouth

JN 157-9586

ARTHUR NADELL
2661 Southwest 64th
Mirimar, Florida
Florida license 10-1536, Ford

JAMES E. MEEKIN
500 S.E. 24th Street
Fort Lauderdale, Florida

WILLIAM PRENTISS
1000 Bert Road
Jacksonville, Florida
Florida license 2-85049, Dodge

FRED D. SCHRAFFENBERGER
8114 S. Causeway Boulevard
St. Petersburg, Florida
Florida license 4-46529

CHESTER HUDSON
Redmon Street, Box 290
Americus, Georgia
Georgia license 31A311, Oldsmobile

EDWARD (LEO) DUNN
3 Grandview Drive
Cartersville, Georgia

DAVID L. McBRIDE
1853 Cheshire Bridge Road
Atlanta, Georgia
(Cleveland Twist Drill Company)

RON E. LEWIS
2216 Lindmont Circle
Atlanta, Georgia
(Coca Cola)

HUGH ADAMSON
2459 Greenwood Circle
East Point, Georgia
Georgia license 1-J18623, Chevrolet

JN 157-9586

Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES FRAZIER
786 Cumberland Road, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia
Georgia license 1J8181, Buick

J. H. KIRKMAN
301 Tonawanda Drive, S.E.
Atlanta, Georgia
Florida license 1E36258

VERNON O. WEBB
3267 David Road
Chamblee, Georgia
Georgia license 2J-1476, Ford

HOWARD ASKEW
Box 267
Canton, Georgia
Georgia license 35A-532, Cadillac

G. A. NISBET
1278 Evangeline Road
Decatur, Georgia
Georgia license 24-5357, Ford

ROBERT PROBERT
1000 Peachtree Street, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30309
Georgia license 2A2066, Chevrolet

OPAL COOK
4616 Roswell Road, Northeast
Atlanta, Georgia
Georgia license 1-40672, Oldsmobile

O. M. KERUS
603 Park Street
Woodstock, Illinois
Illinois license KN1571, Cadillac

JN 157-9586

ALLEN A. HURLEY
1815 Tangelwood Drive, 1-C
Glenview, Illinois
Illinois license 347-242, Chevrolet

IRVING S. ROSENFELD
934 S. 4th Street
Springfield, Illinois
Illinois license 499S99, Chevrolet

A. HOUSTON
319 Blodgett
Lake Bluff, Illinois
Illinois license KD5446, Ford

ROBERT PIERCE
1660 Maple Lane
Elgin, Illinois
(Armin Tool and Manufacturing Company)

ARTHUR C. STOLL
750 Main Street
South Elgin, Illinois
Armin Tool

DONALD E. KOONS
820 E. Prairie Avenue
Naperville, Illinois
Tennessee license 11-21359 (government car), 1968 Ford

J. H. HIGGINS
22 North Cotton Hill
Springfield, Illinois
Illinois license EH 22

R. F. GILLHOUSE
403 South 22nd Street
Quincy, Illinois

JN 157-9586

W. C. CALVERY
718 N. Westmore
Villa Park, Illinois
Illinois license AF 7663, Oldsmobile

BETTY TEAFORD
College Apartment #4
1035 College
Jacksonville, Illinois

R. M. DILLON
1156 Sprulewood
Ibertyville, Illinois
Illinois license HL 2826

JOHN ARMSTRONG
1249 Stratford
Deerfield, Illinois
Illinois license KP2782, Pontiac

HILTON H. JOHNSON
21 Audubon Drive
Pekin, Illinois
Illinois license 666637, Pontiac

BRYON I. COUNTRYMAN
605 N. Dixon Avenue
Dixon, Illinois
Illinois license JB3422, Thunderbird

W. H. BORG
1995 Big Bend Road
Des Plaines, Illinois
Illinois license BG6383, Ford

PAUL McREYNOLDS
1000 North Maple
Normal, Illinois
Illinois license 259635, Lincoln

JN 157-9586

JAMES L. LANG
108 Stewart Avenue
Woodstock, Illinois
Illinois license KN530, Pontiac

R. F. BERRY
Post Office Box 638
Midlothian, Illinois

TONY R. ENGLAND
718 South Spruce
Pana, Illinois
Illinois license EH9483, Chevrolet

Mrs. HARDIN V. PETTINGER
608 Orange
Morrison, Illinois
Illinois license FB1232, Oldsmobile

BERT ABNEY (Mr. and Mrs.)
203 Suncrest
Libertyville, Illinois
Illinois license JR9411, Chrysler

GLENN F. HAINES
534 First Street
Batavia, Illinois
Illinois license KB 3820, Ford

CHARLES F. WHITSON
2700 Linds Drive
New Albany, Indiana
Indiana license 22A2766, Ford

LAWRENCE FINDLEY
Route 4
Seymour, Indiana
Indiana license 36C1501, Chrysler

JOHN R. THORNBURY
Route 5
Jaspier, Indiana
Indiana license 19A5560, Oldsmobile

JN 157-9586

JAMES WEBSTER
1626 South Street
Goshen, Indiana
Indiana license 20A654, Pontiac

Mr. and Mrs. HAROLD MILKISER
2739 Tindale Avenue, N.E.
Cedar Rapids, Iowa

RICHARD A. ZOLNOSKY
2317 15th Avenue North
Fort Dodge, Iowa
Iowa license 94-3358, Pontiac

CHARLES E. BOURETT
3015 Myrtle Street
Sioux City, Iowa
Florida license 16WS-4450, Buick

EDGAR R. SCHRICK
Rural Route 1
George, Iowa
Iowa license 60-1437, Chrysler

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. STEVENS
1221 Plum
Ottumwa, Iowa
Iowa license 90-1745, Chrysler

Mr. and Mrs. PAUL NOBIS
511 14th Street
Davenport, Iowa
Iowa license 82-3658, Cadillac

DARREL F. POLLARD
2524 S. Hydraulic
Wichita, Kansas
Kansas license S/B 22716, Chevrolet

WOODIE GROTEWOLD
2305 Somerset
Wichita, Kansas

ROBERT D. CARVER
233 Ridgedale Road
Louisville, Kentucky
Indiana license 22H2706, Ford
(in car with Mr. WHITSON)

L. L. BIDEWELL
P.O. Box 321
Murray, Kentucky
Kentucky license 148-361, Continental

NORMAN L. MILLER
1301 West Kentucky Street
Louisville, Kentucky

THOMAS M. STOKES
1301 W. Kentucky Street
Louisville, Kentucky 40210

CHARLES F. KELLY
1028½ Elm Street
Bowling Green, Kentucky
Kentucky license R12498, Chevrolet

FRED JONES
309 Gotis Way
Louisville, Kentucky
Indiana license 22A1556, Buick

J. H. MIMS
1920 Deer Park
Louisville, Kentucky

ROSCOE L. HOWE
506 E. College
Mayfield, Kentucky
Kentucky license 307-880, Oldsmobile

A. O. CUNNINGHAM
1755 Florida Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Mississippi license (Avis Rental), Dodge

JN 157-9586

R. H. HAWKINS
Bastrop, Louisiana
Louisiana license 6_F283, Ford

M. O. JOHNSON
Box 672
Opelousas, Louisiana
(Gibson Pharmacy)

S. PAUL ROZAS
1351 Anne Street
Eunice, Louisiana
(Gibson Pharmacy)

FLOYD E. READY
3922 Melinda
Shreveport, Louisiana

CHARLES B. DeHAVEN
20 O.K. Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana

JIM R. GARDNER
P.O.Box 1311
Shreveport, Louisiana
Texas license FXS637, Mercury

F. J. JOHNSON
E. Cedar Lake Drive
Greenbush, Michigan
Michigan license WZ0060

MORT WRIGHT
P.O. Box 31
Sturgis, Michigan
Michigan license ST5973, Buick

G. I. HANEY
Herman, Minnesota
Minnesota license 7ZK-187, Oldsmobile

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VIOLA M. CHAPMAN
3845 Bryant Avenue
Minneapolis, Minnesota
Minnesota license 3L0-255, Mercury

DONALD A. CHAPMAN
5617 St. Andrews Avenue
Edina, Minnesota
Minnesota license 3L0-255, Mercury

E. V. DAVISON
6007 Golden Valley
Minneapolis, Minnesota

MARSHALL D. GRISHAM
Box 184
Houlka, Mississippi
(Methodist minister)

KENT L. KINNIBURGH
D.S.R.
Oxford, Mississippi
(West Chemical)
Mississippi license 36-4171, Chevrolet

L. C. HAMILTON
State College, Mississippi
Livestock Sanitary Board
Mississippi license P-1158, Dodge

J. W. WARREN
Holly Springs, Mississippi
(Mississippi Highway Patrol)
Mississippi license 47-3979, Plymouth

L. H. CARTER
1705 1st Terrace
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

JN 157-9586

VERNON M. BONDS
1303 Leonard Drive
Tupelo, Mississippi

JACK BOYLES
1215 Lawnview Place
Jackson, Mississippi
Mississippi license HD4434, Buick

JAMES ROBERTS
Box 151
Grenada, Mississippi
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Date 4/24/69

BROOKS PHILLIPS, Owner, Southern Motel, Highway 72 West, Corinth, Mississippi, made available the motel registration records for the period March 29, 1968, through April 3, 1968. The following individuals were registered during this period:

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Sheffield, Alabama

JACK CORNELIUS
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Route 4
El Dorado, Arkansas
Arkansas license J-5092 (truck)

ERVIN SHERWOOD
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On 4/15/69 at Corinth, Mississippi File # Jackson 157-9586 -658

by SA FRANCIS G. HONAN /bdb Date dictated 4/21/69

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **April 22, 1969**

Re: **MURKIN**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-000017097 SK**

Examination requested by: **Memphis**

Reference: **Airtel 4/18/69**

Examination requested: **Document**

Remarks:

Enclosures (3) (2 Lab report)
2-Diagrams (44-1740) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
2-Jackson (157-9889) Enclosure (Lab report)

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To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 22, 1968
FBI File No. 44-38861
Lab. No. D-690617087 JK

Re: MURKIN

Specimens received 4/17/69

Qc412 Two Xerox copies of registration card in the name "Eric S. Galt," #242 10500.

Result of examination:

It was concluded that Qc412 was prepared by the writer of other similar registration cards, Q80 (New Rebel Motor Hotel) and Q142 (Provincial Hotel), which were previously submitted.

It was further determined that the "Eric S. Galt" signature on Qc412 was prepared by the writer of the signatures in this name appearing on Q261 and Q262. (Harpender School House). The signatures on Q261 and Q262 have been authenticated through investigation as known signatures of JAMES EARL RAY, FBI#4053420.

Qc412 has been retained.

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Date: April 18, 1969

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Bureau airtel to Birmingham, 4/7/69;
Birmingham airtel to the Bureau, 4/15/69.

On 4/14/69 and 4/15/69, contact was made with all motels located in Corinth, Mississippi, and vicinity and voluminous motel registration records were obtained. These records have been reviewed under the subject's true name and all known aliases and reviewed for Alabama license number on car driven by subject. No identification by name or aliases or license number was affected.

Two of the 12 motels contacted did not have their records readily available; therefore, these two motels will be re-contacted in an effort to secure motel registrations for the pertinent period.

Upon completion of a more comprehensive review of the motel records, appropriate FD-302's will be furnished the Memphis Office and the names of those individuals who indicate residences in Mississippi will be reviewed through the Jackson Office indices.

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FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Buairtel 4/7/69.

Transmitted herewith are two Xerox copies of a registration card located on April 11, 1969, at the Birmingham Travellodge Motel, 821 South 20th Street in the Five Points South area of Birmingham recording the registration of ERIC S. GALT, 2608 Highland Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama, on 3/29/68 who is undoubtedly identical with RAY. Registration card reflects he was assigned Room 307, one in party, and charged for one day, departing at an unspecified time on 3/30/68. He was in possession of a 1966 Mustang with Alabama license 138993 which has previously been identified as having been registered by RAY at Birmingham on 10/2/67 under the alias ERIC S. GALT with the same residence address indicated. Since guest registrations are maintained in a very haphazard manner at the Travellodge Motel, it was difficult to locate this card since an entire package of guest registrations with the numerical series 18500 could not be located in a storeroom box where other registration cards for the year 1968 were examined.

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Mr. and Mrs. WALTER C. MADDOX, Managers of the Travellodge, preferred to retain possession of the registration card for GALT after suitable Xerox copies had been made in the Birmingham Office.

No local or long distance telephone calls were charged to the room and no information obtained which indicated any association on the part of GALT with any other guests.

Upon completion of the investigation of motels in the Florence, Alabama area, appropriate FD-302's will be furnished the Memphis Office. A copy of GALT's registration is being furnished the Memphis Office at this time and a similar copy furnished Jackson for possible assistance in conducting investigation of motels in the Corinth, Mississippi area.

Request of the Bureau:

The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare the handwriting appearing on the attached Xerox copy of Registration Card #18586, noting that GALT wrote all entries down through the description of the Mustang. Request that Birmingham and Memphis be advised of the result.

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WE ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS OR INJURY, NOR FOR LOSS OF
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FROM WHATEVER CAUSE. WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE
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242 18586 THE UNDERSIGNED AGREES TO
TERMS AND CONDITIONS ON REVERSE SIDE

NAME Eric S. Salt

ADDRESS 2608 Highland Ave

CITY & STATE Birmingham Ala

REPRESENTING

MAKE OF CAR	LICENSE NO.	YEAR	STATE REGISTERED
<u>Mustang</u>	<u>138993</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>Ala.</u>

THE GUEST WILL PAY ☒ CASH ☐ CREDIT CARD ☐ OTHER ☐

ROOM 307 CLERK 41-11 ROOM CHARGE \$

ARRIVAL DATE 3-24-68 TAX \$

NUMBER OF GUESTS 1 MISC. CHARGES \$

RATE \$ 7.00 TELEPHONE \$

NUMBER OF DAYS CHARGED 1 TOTAL AMOUNT \$

821 South Twentieth Street
Birmingham, Alabama 35205

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To: SACs, Birmingham (44-1740)
Jackson (157-9586)
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

William Bradford Huie has written a third article for "Look" magazine. The article appears in the issue dated April 15, 1969, but this issue was circulated on April 1, 1969. A review of the article reveals that James Earl Ray allegedly registered at the Travelodge Motel, Five Points, Birmingham, Alabama, on March 29, 1968; at a motel near Florence, Alabama, on April 1, 1968; and at a motel near Corinth, Mississippi, on April 2, 1968. It is to be noted that Ray, using the name Harvey Lowmyer, negotiated the purchase of a rifle at the Aeromarine Supply Company, Birmingham, Alabama, on March 29 and 30, 1968. On April 3, 1968, he was registered at the Rebel Motel in Memphis, Tennessee.

In an effort to establish whether or not Ray was in contact with any individuals immediately prior to the assassination, appropriate investigation should be conducted by the Birmingham and Jackson Offices. It should be understood that there is to be no indication made whatsoever that the following investigation has any connection whatsoever with the case involving James Earl Ray.

Birmingham and Jackson Offices should make inquiries of the motels in or near the cities indicated above to determine the identities of individuals registered during the period March 29 to April 3, 1968. Efforts should be made to identify all individuals listed, as well as

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obtaining descriptions and registrations for the automobiles of such persons. A review of such records might indicate whether any one individual might have accompanied Ray or been in contact with him during this period. Pertinent or questionable registration records should be obtained if possible for examination by the FBI Laboratory.

Memphis should insure that the Bureau is kept currently advised of pertinent developments in this case, particularly all aspects of court action since the death of Judge Battle on March 31, 1969.

One copy of airtel sent each:

Albany	Memphis
Albuquerque	Milwaukee
Atlanta	Minneapolis
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Charlotte	Newark
Chicago	New Haven
Cincinnati	New Orleans
Cleveland	New York
Columbia	Oklahoma City
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Indianapolis	St. Louis
Jacksonville	Salt Lake City
Kansas City	San Antonio
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-399) (P)

FROM : SA JOHN H. PROCTOR, JR.

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE VIOLENCE IN MAJOR
URBAN AREAS
RM

DATE: 3/25/69

During February and March, 1969, Reverend R. S. PORTER, 610 38th Avenue, Meridian, Miss., president of the NAACP, Meridian, Miss., has advised that he knows of no planned violence, demonstrations, sit-ins or the like, for the Meridian area during the forthcoming summer.

On 3/21/69, PORTER stated that former Vice President HUBERT HUMPHREY would speak in Meridian, Miss., at noon on 4/2/69, at fund raising dinner to be held at the Downtowner Motel. He stated that the goal was \$10 a plate and 200 persons are expected.

On 3/24/69, Rev. PORTER stated that recently a Negro patrolman accidentally killed a 16 year old escapee from the Meridian City Jail. He stated that the Negro populous was quite incensed over this incident and that Rev. CHARLES JOHNSON, head of the Action Committee, was attempting to force the Meridian City Council into suspending the Negro patrolman. PORTER stated that Rev. KILLINGSWORTH and JOHNSON were instrumental in getting a large number of Negroes to attend a

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(X: 157-9586) (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)

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meeting of the City Council and to hear their recommendations. PORTER stated that a meeting was held on 3/23/69 by JOHNSON and KILLINGSWORTH and one thing discussed was a possible boycott of downtown merchants in protest over the killing of the Negro youth. PORTER stated that he did not believe this would come to pass since Negro leaders in the Meridian area were attempting to control the situation and return poverty to this area.

On 3/24/69, Rev. JOHNSON advised that his church would hold a revival during the week of 4/1-5/69 and that on 4/4/69, the NAACP would have a speaker (local) to commemorate the death of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. He stated that he knows of no persons planning to attend any marches at any location either in Mississippi or surrounding states.

On 3/24/69, CHARLES R. DARDEN, 1124 26th Avenue, Meridian, Miss., former president of the NAACP in Meridian and a member of the National Board of the NAACP, stated that he does not know of any plans of local citizens to attend commemoration of the death of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., on 4/4/69 either at Montgomery, Ala., or Memphis, Tenn. He stated that he was sure there would be some church services in the Meridian area; however, he knows of no anticipated marches or the like.

DARDEN stated that the local NAACP is not taking any part in connection with the killing of a young Negro boy by a Negro policeman. He stated that the authorities had ruled the death accidental and that NAACP members were attempting to avoid any violence in connection with this matter.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)

MURKIN

Re Bureau airtel to Jackson, 3/24/69 and
Bureau letter to [REDACTED], Route 4, Box 762, Columbia, Miss.,
9/9/68 with copy to Jackson.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eleven copies
of an LHM dated and captioned as above. One copy of
above LHM being designated for Memphis.

Referenced Bureau letter of 9/9/68 addressed to
[REDACTED], forwarded
to Jackson copy of a letter which [REDACTED] had written
to the Director, wherein he alleged that certain people
at Columbia, Miss., were conspiring with the Mafia in an
effort to kill him.

On 9/12/68 the contents of [REDACTED] letter
were furnished to TOM RAINEY, Chief of Police, Columbia,
Miss., who advised that [REDACTED] was well known to the Columbia,
Miss., PD and the Marion County, Miss., SO. Chief RAINEY
advised that [REDACTED] is mentally ill and makes complaints
to both the SO and PD. [REDACTED] was interviewed on 3/26/69
concerning his letter to the Director on 3/19/69 wherein he
alleged that one Dr. BUSH might have information concerning
the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

3 - Bureau (Encs. 11) (RM)
1 - Memphis (Enc. 1) (RM) (Info.)
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Jackson indices negative re DR. RUSSELL BUSH.

Investigation set out in enclosed LHM was
handled by SA J. L. MARTIN.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Jackson, Mississippi
March 26, 1969

JAMES EARL RAY;
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM
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The following letter was received at FBI
Headquarters dated March 19, 1969:

"3/19/69

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"Dear Director;

"Last spring I was staying at a boarding
house in Columbia. Mrs. Rawls on Church St.

"one Sunday about one week before Dr. King
was killed. I was sitting on the front porch talk-
ing to a retired Dentist. It was after dinner on
a Sunday.

"He told me that They were going to kill
Dr. King this next week. A few days later he
was killed!

"If you think this meant any thing the doctor's
name was Bush! It sounded like he was in on the
knowing about it ot me. I thought I would pass
this information on along to the Bureau. No
one knows about this but me I hope. There were
one or two others on the porch at the time
we were but I don't know if they heard him tell
me this or not. (Weather they were listening to
our conversation or not.) I would like to remain
unknown to them (The Dr. Bush) if you decide it
is worth any thing.

Your Friend,

[Redacted signature]

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JAMES EARL RAY;
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM

On March 26, 1969, a representative of the FBI contacted [] at Columbia, Mississippi, concerning the above letter. [] advised that he did not recall having written the above letter and denied ever having had a conversation with Doctor Bush concerning the death of Martin Luther King, Jr.

On March 26, 1969, Tom Rainey, Chief of Police, Columbia, Mississippi, advised a representative of the FBI that [] suffers from a mental disorder and frequently makes unfounded allegations and complaints concerning various citizens and their activities in Columbia, Mississippi.

Chief Rainey advised that Doctor Bush referred to in [] letter would be Doctor Russell Bush, 911 Main Street, Columbia, Mississippi. Chief Rainey advised that Doctor Bush is a retired dentist and is currently a lay preacher who is extremely active in religious affairs and is one of the most respected citizens in Columbia, Mississippi. Chief Rainey advised that in his opinion, Doctor Bush would be the least likely person in Columbia, Mississippi, to have made any remarks concerning the possible assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.

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Date: 3/24/69

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TO: SAC, Jackson

FROM: Director, FBI

MURKIN

Enclosed for Jackson are two true copies and for Memphis one true copy of a letter received at the Bureau from [redacted] Columbia, Mississippi.

Jackson immediately locate and interview [redacted] regarding his conversation with a dentist relative to the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. Conduct appropriate investigation to thoroughly resolve this matter.

Jackson review its files for background data concerning Pope.

Enclosures (2)

1 - Memphis (Enclosure)

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D. B. Martin

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3-19-69

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they were listening to our conversation or not.) I would like to remain
unknown to them (The Dr. Bush) if you decide it is worth any thing.

Your Friend,

[Redacted Signature]

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Date: 2/25/69

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(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)

MURKIN

Enclosed for the Memphis office are 9 copies each of two FD 302s.

On 2/25/69, Sgt. RAYMOND H. CURRY, Base Photo Laboratory, Columbus Air Force Base, Columbus, Miss., advised SA LAWRENCE W. GORMAN that he is maintaining in his possession a \$1.00 bill which had inscribed on it the following:

JAMES EARL RAY
322-3561

On 2/25/69, GEORGE MC CULLY, State Security Officer, South Central Bell Telephone Company, Jackson, Miss., advised that there is no such telephone listing as 322-3561 in the state of Mississippi.

LEADMEMPHIS DIVISION

Will search indices and if negative, will consider setting forth leads to determine subscriber to telephone number 322-3561. It being noted that the subject is familiar at Atlanta, Birmingham, Memphis, and Los Angeles.

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Date February 25, 1969

GEORGE C. MC CULLY, State Security Officer,
South Central Bell Telephone Company, Jackson,
Mississippi, advised that telephone number 322-3561
is not a Mississippi telephone number.

On 2/25/69 at Jackson, Mississippi File # Jackson 157-9586 -645
by SA JOHN L. PUDDISTER JLP/bb Date dictated 2/25/69

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Date February 25, 1969

Sergeant RAYMOND H. CURRY, Base Photo Laboratory, Columbus Air Force Base, Columbus, Mississippi, advised that he had in his possession a one dollar bill which had inscribed on it:

JAMES EARL RAY
322-3561

Sergeant CURRY said he could not immediately recall how or when he came in possession of this one dollar bill. He said he felt he should report this to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

On 2/25/69 at Columbus, Mississippi File # Jackson 157-9586-644
by SA LAWRENCE W. GORMAN LWG/bb Date dictated 2/25/69

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(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: ALL SAC's
FROM: SAC, Memphis (44-1987) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN - COST DATA
(OO: MEMPHIS)
BUFILE 44-38861

Re Memphis airtel to Albany dated 4/19/68, and
Memphis airtel to All SAC's, dated 7/16/68.

Discontinue the monthly submission to the Memphis
Division of the cost data requested in referenced airtels,
since the Bureau has agreed this submission can be discon-
tinued.

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
 FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)
 MURKIN - COST DATA

Re Jackson airtel dated 11/1/68.

Cost data from the Jackson Division from 11/1/68 to 11/30/68, is as follows:

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| 1. A. Special Agents: | |
| Regular Man Hours | 16 |
| Overtime | 0 |
| B. Clerical Employees: | |
| Regular Man Hours | 2 |
| Overtime | 0 |
| 2. Total Mileage (estimated) | 50 |
| 3. Unusual or out-of-the-ordinary expenses | 0 |
| 4. Peak number of Special Agents working on case at any time during the month. | 3 |

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Washington, D. C. 20537

**REPORT**

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IDENTIFICATION DIVISION**LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION**

YOUR FILE NO.

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FBI FILE NO.

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LATENT CASE NO.

91075**November 29, 1968**

TO:

SAC, Los Angeles

RE:

**MURKIN
CR**

REFERENCE:

Airtel 11-21-68

EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY:

Los Angeles

SPECIMENS:

Portion of cardboard box, Q410

Listed Q specimen is described in the Laboratory report, which is being furnished separately.

No latent impressions of value developed on Q410, which is enclosed.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) P

MURKIN

In connection with the articles prepared by WILLIAM BRADFORD HUIE, which have appeared in "Look" magazine, certain investigation has been conducted by offices receiving this Airtel. The Memphis Division, as office of origin, requests that results of investigation conducted by the various offices be furnished in the form of either FD-302 or investigative insert so that all results can be incorporated in a report. This material should be submitted so that it reaches Memphis no later than December 4, 1968.

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*Checked with Memphis, 12/2/68.
 No lead for Jn on this airtel.
 Memphis said leads were set out by airtel from Bureau.
 We did not get Bn airtel. No leads for Jn.*

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861) & MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: JACKSON (157-9586) (P)

MURKIN.

RE LOS ANGELES AIRTEL TO BUREAU, NOVEMBER TWENTY
ONE, LAST.

RE LOS ANGELES AIRTEL SET OUT THAT MRS. W. PITMAN,
PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, ON NOVEMBER TWELVE, LAST, OBSERVED
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WAS EMPLOYED. THIS BOX BORE PENCILED HANDWRITING AS FOLLOWS
"JAMES EARL RAY, ONE ONE TWO TUCKER STREET, LELAND,
MISSISSIPPI, JOHN WESLEY RAFORD, JR., JOHN WESLEY TUCKER.
THE HANDWRITING APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN WRITTEN BY THE SAME
PERSON. ON THE BOX WERE NAMES JOHN AND JONOUR.

JACKSON INDICES CONTAIN NO RECORD OF RAFORD AND
TUCKER FOR SIMILARITIES THEREOF OF JONOUR.

CHIEF OF POLICE E. J. DEAN, LELAND, MISS., ADVISED

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1 - Los Angeles (44-1574) (AM)

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MRS. MARGARET BERRY, ONE ONE TWO TUCKER STREET, LELAND, MISS., ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT SHE HAS LIVED AT THIS ADDRESS SINCE JANUARY, FIFTY FOUR, WHEN SHE PURCHASED THE HOUSE. SHE LIVES AT THIS RESIDENCE WITH TWO YOUNG NIECES. SHE ADVISED THAT SHE HAS NO IDEA WHY A BOX SHOULD BE LOCATED IN CALIFORNIA WITH HER ADDRESS ON IT. THE NAMES JOHN WESLEY RAFORD, JR., JOHN WESLEY TUCKER AND JONOUR ARE UNKNOWN TO HER. SHE ADVISED SHE HAS A NEPHEW EDDIE JONES AND A NIECE RUBY JONES AS OF FORTY SEVEN, IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. SHE HAS HEARD NOTHING FROM THEM SINCE THAT TIME. SHE HAS NO RELATIVES OR FRIENDS IN CALIFORNIA.

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Special Agent in Charge

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AND JAMES LOVEY. THESE BOYS, WHILE IN LELAND, LIVED ON
THE OTHER SIDE OF TOWN AND WERE NOT CLOSELY ASSOCIATED
WITH HER.

LOS ANGELES BEING ADVISED BY AIRMAIL. END.

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Special Agent in Charge

FBI WASH DC

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4:13 PM DEFERRED 11-26-68 WLB

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) & MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM JACKSON (157-9586)

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CHIEF OF POLICE E. J. DEAN, LELAND, MISS., ADVISED

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FBI WASH DC

FBI MEMPHIS

FBI JKSN MISS

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FBI MEMPHIS

11/21/68

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) (ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
SUBJECT: MURKIN ✓

Mr. W. PITMAN, 191 Carlton Avenue, Pasadena, California, advised that his wife is employed at the Crocker-Citizens National Bank, Lake and Green Streets, Pasadena. On 11/12/68 Mrs. PITMAN observed a cardboard box in the rear parking area of the bank. This box bore penciled handwriting as follows:

"JAMES EARL RAY
112 Tucker Street
Ireland, Mississippi"

"JOHN WESLEY RAYFORD, JR."

"JOHN WESLEY TUCKER"

The above appeared to have been written by the same person.

Also written on this box were the names "JOHN" and "JONOUR", which appeared to have been written by a different person.

Mrs. PITMAN retained the box, which was furnished to SA PHILIP J. REILLY, Pasadena Resident Agency, by her husband. Mr. PITMAN stated that neither he nor his wife has any additional information regarding the box, who placed it in the parking lot,

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2 - Memphis (44-1987) (Encs. - 2) (AM)
2 - Jackson (Encs. - 2) (AM)
2 - Los Angeles
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John
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+ Tucker
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pls advise
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when it was placed there or how long it had been there.

The indices of the Los Angeles Office contain no reference to JOHN WESLEY RAFORD, JR., or JOHN WESLEY TUCKER.

Enclosed for the Laboratory is the original portion of the box, as furnished to SA PHILIP J. REILLY, for comparative examination with other samples of handwriting submitted in this matter.

Enclosed for the Bureau are three copies of a photograph of the handwriting. Two photographs of the above-described handwriting are enclosed for Jackson and Memphis.

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

11/21/68

SAC, DALLAS (44-2649) (RUC)

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On 11/14/68, JOSEPH MEYER, Field Engineer for Recognition Equipment Company, Dallas, temporarily residing at the Lemonwood Inn, 3515 Inwood Road, Dallas, Texas, advised he is attending a computer school sponsored by Recognition Equipment Company, after which he does not know where he will be stationed. He said that he formerly resided at 300 North Haugh Avenue, Picayune, Mississippi. He related an incident which occurred while he was residing in Picayune. The details of that incident are set out in enclosed FD-302.

A copy of the FD-302 of interview of MEYER is enclosed for Jackson in the event Memphis requests investigation of this matter by Jackson at Picayune.

Any additional investigation is left to the descretion of the Office of Origin.

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JOHN C. MYER, Longwood Inn, 2815 Inwood Road, employed as a field engineer for Recognition Equipment Company, Dallas, advised he is attending a computer school in Dallas sponsored by the Recognition Equipment Company. He formerly resided at 440 North Haugh Avenue, Picayune, Mississippi. While residing in Picayune, an incident occurred about two weeks prior to the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING in Memphis. The details of that incident are as follows:

He and his son went fishing near Picayune on a Sunday morning between about 8:00 AM and 9:30 AM. They were approaching a small fishing lake on Ridge Road when they noticed a man lying behind a light colored Ford Mustang shooting a rifle into a target on a tree about 40 yards away. He and his son parked their car at the small lake nearby and began fishing. The man with the rifle, which he observed to be a lever action and either new or very well taken care of, came up to them and started talking to him. The man said he was here sighting the rifle, but he wished his brother was there because he was more experienced at this. They talked of fishing, hunting and general topics. The man did not talk with an accent and gave the impression of not being from that area.

The man was dressed in canvas field hunting clothes. He was about 5'10" to 11" tall, 175 pounds, dark wavy hair, well groomed. MYER has observed photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and he stated that some of the photographs definitely do not look like the man he saw, but one of the photographs he recently saw in Look Magazine, the one without glasses, in some ways resembles the man he saw firing the rifle. He said he does not believe he would be able to identify the man he saw even if he saw him again.

MYER thought nothing of the incident until he heard of the shooting of MARTIN LUTHER KING. Then he thought there might possibly be some connection, but he did not report the matter to the local police because he was afraid they would only laugh at him. He went back to the area that the man was firing and was unable to find any cartridges. He looked at the tree that the man was

On 11/18/68 at Dallas, Texas File # Dallas 44-3543

by SA WILLIAM E. COLLAMER/ed Date dictated 11/18/68

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shot at and noted that the places where the bullets hit indicated that a high powered cartridge was used because large chunks of the tree bark were torn away.

MEYER furnished a sketch of the area where the man was firing the rifle and it is attached hereto.

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)
MURKIN - COST DATA

Re Jackson airtel dated 10/1/68.

Cost data from the Jackson Division from 10/1/68 to 10/31/68, is as follows:

1. A. Special Agents:
 - Regular Man Hours 4
 - Overtime 0
- B. Clerical Employees:
 - Regular Man Hours 0
 - Overtime 0
2. Total Mileage (estimated) 0
3. Unusual or out-of-the-ordinary expenses 0
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TO: SAC, MIAMI (157-987)
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-424) (P)
SUBJECT: ACQUISITION OF WEAPONS BY
RACIAL EXTREMIST GROUPS
RM
OO: JACKSON

Re Jackson airtel to Charlotte dated 8/12/68, and Indianapolis airtel to Dallas dated 8/28/68.

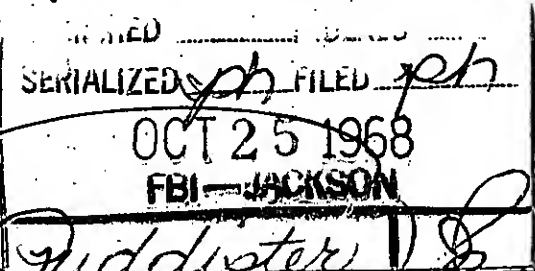
Indianapolis requested Dallas to interview GORDON STEPHEN BUTTORFF, 9725 Plano Road, Dallas, for any information concerning HORACE BYRON GAAR, JR.

On 10/22/68, Operator Eight, Credit Bureau Services, Dallas, advised SARAH BUTTORFF employed Continental Fire Insurance Company, Dallas, resided at 9725 Plano Road, Dallas, and had been in file since June, 1968.

Mrs. PEGGY HELLUMS, Assistant Manager, Kingsley Place Apartments, advised 10/22/68, that GORDON STEPHEN BUTTORFF resided in Apartment 122, 9725 Plano Road, Dallas. The records of the Dallas County Sheriff's Office and Dallas Police Department, checked 10/22/68, contain no record for BUTTORFF.

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- 1 - Charlotte (Info) (RM)
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 - (1 - 157-22)
 - (1 - 157-2302)
- 1 - Indianapolis (157-1003) (RM) (Info)
- 4 - Dallas (2 - 157-678) (BUTTORFF)
 - (1 - 157-424)
 - (1 - 157-602) (GAAR)

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Dallas file 157-678, captioned GORDON STEPHEN BUTTORFF, indicates BUTTORFF is severely disturbed mentally and has received correspondence from the Minutemen in the past but does not indicate his connection with GAAR or the acquisition of weapons.

Dallas file 157-602, captioned "HORACE BYRON GAAR, JR., RM," indicates that Jackson closed their case October, 1965, inasmuch as GAAR was not advocating racial violence.

Dallas not in possession of Miami teletype to Bureau, Charlotte, Jackson and Memphis dated 8/10/68.

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AT MIAMI, FLORIDA. Furnish Dallas copy of Miami teletype to Bureau, 8/10/68, background of investigation and desirability of interviewing BUTTORFF.

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

Greenville Man Is Shot In Memphis

MEMPHIS (AP) — A Time-Life magazine reporter, identified by police as William Sartor of Greenville, Miss., was shot in Memphis Saturday night during an apparent robbery attempt.

Chief Insp. Joe Gagliano said the shooting took place in the downtown area and quoted Sartor as saying a man he could only identify as a Negro shot him after robbing him.

He filed dispatches from Memphis during the riots that followed the slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on April 4 and has been covering subsequent developments in the King case.

Sartor is also credited with being the man who stirred community ire with an article in Time that referred to Memphis as a "decaying Mississippi backwater town."

Sartor was hospitalized at St. Joseph Hospital, the same hospital in which King died.

Gagliano said an early report from doctors indicated Sartor was not in ~~serious~~ condition.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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—The Clarion Ledger

—Jackson, Miss.

Date: Oct. 6, 1968

Edition: Home

Author:

Editor: T. M. Hederman

Title: Assassination of
Martin Luther King, Jr.

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)

MURKIN - COST DATA

Re Jackson airtel dated 9/3/68.

Cost data from the Jackson Division from 9/1/68 to 9/30/68, is as follows:

1. A. Special Agents:		
Regular Man Hours	12	7
Overtime	0	0
B. Clerical Employees:		
Regular Man Hours	2	0
Overtime	0	0
2. Total mileage (estimated)	35	0
3. Unusual or out-of-the-ordinary expenses	0	0
4. Peak number of Special Agents working on case at any time during the month	2	2

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)

MURKIN

Re Bureau airtel to Memphis and Jackson, dated 9/26/68, with attached interview of Mr. BILL SARTOR.

Indices check at Jackson disclosed the following:

A review of Jackson file 157-7945 captioned "JAN SARTOR, Aka, Jan Scudder, Johnna Lou Scudder - RM" disclosed that on 5/3/67, one JAN SARTOR contacted the Greenville, Mississippi, Resident Agent of the FBI where she provided the following information:

She is (at that time) the Greenville reporter for the Memphis "Commercial Appeal" (a daily newspaper from Memphis, Tennessee) and also writes free lance for other papers and magazines. She has written articles under the name of JAN SCUDDER for Sepia, a Negro magazine produced at Fort Worth, Texas. Her husband, WILLIAM SARTOR, writes free lance for Time and Life Magazines.

In August, 1966, she attended a conference of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) in

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Jackson, Mississippi, and later wrote an article for Sepia Magazine concerning this conference. During the period she covered this conference, she was not accompanied by her husband and registered at the King Edward Hotel in Jackson as JAN SCUDDER.

Shortly after her return to Greenville from Jackson, she received a telephone call from an individual who said he was calling long distance from a pay telephone which she assumed was in Jackson, Mississippi. This individual furnished his name as either ED or JAMES FLEMING. He said he had attended the SCLC Conference at Jackson and had seen a man taking a photograph of her standing in front of the King Edward Hotel with two Negro males. He stated he was trying to determine the identity of the photographer, as his picture had also been taken at that time. This individual asked her several times why she was there and asked her whether or not she was a member of SCLC.

A few days later she received another long distance telephone call and the operator said the unidentified caller was trying to reach ED HAMLETT. Mrs. SARTOR said she was not aware of it at that time but later learned that ED HAMLET is a Negro who is a member of the Southern Student Organizing Committee (SSOC), which is a branch of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC).

Mrs. SARTOR alleged that the man's voice in the background sounded similar to the same man who had called her previously.

She received no further telephone calls until last week (5-10-67) when she received another telephone call wherein the operator asked for BILL SARTOR. During this incident the operator said she was trying to reach ED HAMLETT through Mr. SARTOR. She heard the same man's

voice giving the number to the telephone operator. This was also a long distance telephone call, city not known.

Prior to 5/17/67, the telephone operator called and told her they were trying to locate Mrs. SARTOR's mother and the operator requested the name of her mother, and where she could be reached. During this call the same man came on the telephone and said he was calling from Nashville, Tennessee. He indicated his name was JAMES MASON and that he was calling for JAMES FLEMING. He stated he thought they might be related and he was trying to locate relatives.

Mrs. SARTOR alleged that she did not give this man any information. Later, the same day, she received another telephone call wherein the operator said she was trying to locate Mrs. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Mrs. SARTOR inquired from the operator the identity of the calling party and she heard a man say that he did not want to give his name. The operator then told her the telephone call was from a public telephone in Memphis, Tennessee.

Since the last incident, her maid, her neighbor, and her employer, the "Commercial Appeal" have all received telephone calls inquiring about her relatives, husband, type of work, and other personal information. She said the telephone call at the "Commercial Appeal" was concerning her association with Sepia Magazine, which she had not told her employer at the "Commercial Appeal" about, and whether or not her husband wrote articles for Ebony Magazine.

During the above interview, Mrs. SARTOR said she was concerned about the harassing nature of the telephone calls and that she was unable to determine the purpose of such calls. She said she felt that someone

may be mistakenly identifying her as a civil rights worker because she attends numerous civil rights functions in an official capacity for her employers. She indicated she does not and never has belonged to any civil rights organizations. She said that one of the editors of the "Commercial Appeal" suggested to her that the originator of these telephone calls could be one EDGAR DOWNING a self-styled investigator [redacted] known to the Memphis area.

The following description and background data was obtained through observation and interview:

Name:	Mrs. WILLIAM G. SARTOR
Aliases	Jan Sartor Jan Scudder Johnna Lou Scudder
Sex	Female
Race	White
Date of birth	[redacted]
Place of birth	Pilot Point, Texas
Height	5' 11"
Weight	115 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Marital status	Married (WILLIAM G. SARTOR)
Parents	CHARLES and LULA SCUDDER Spur, Texas
Employment	Reporter, "Commercial Appeal" Memphis, Tennessee; free lance writer;
Residence	1255 Loundes Greenville, Mississippi.

The file further reflected that on 5/19/67, EDGAR DOWNING contacted the Jackson FBI Office in person seeking information concerning JAN SARTOR. DOWNING indicated

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he has been making an investigation concerning the activities of this woman. No information was furnished to Mr. EDGAR DOWNING.

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Will conduct indices check concerning EDGAR DOWNING. It should be noted that referenced Bureau airtel instructs that no interview of SARTOR should be conducted until the Bureau advises to do so.

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September, 1968

Brief description of activity or material

APWR, Hinds Co., met 9/17/68; Official of
Minutemen attempts to visit TARRANTS in
Meridian jail. Attempts made to raise
cash bond for JOE DANIEL HAWKINS; MATTHEWS
has strange visitors for second time.

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1 - 157-	ROY CAMPBELL
1 - 157-	Dr. E. A. CAMPBELL
1 - 157-	JOHN VIRGIL "PAT" THOMAS
1 - 157-	SIDNEY BARNES
1 - 157-	GUS BOBBITT
1 - 157-	JOE DENVER HAWKINS

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APWR, HINDS COUNTY
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APWR met as usual on Tuesday night, 9/17/68,
at Byrd's Truck Stop, and the following were in attendance:

ROY and JO CAMPBELL
Dr. and Mrs. E. A. COPELAND
PAT and NELL THOMAS
Mr. and Mrs. SIDNEY BARNES
GUS BOBBITT
JOE DENVER HAWKINS
Mrs. EVELYN MORGAN, Secretary
BILL PICKEL

HARRY KELLEY, JOHNNIE HAWKINS, and L. E. MATTHEWS
were noticeably absent from the meeting, and they were
apparently having some type of private meeting concerning
JOE DANIEL HAWKINS' bond and trial for bank robbery in
Memphis, Tennessee.

Most of the meeting was taken up about funds
for the HAWKINS family.

Mr. BARNES has apparently moved to Jackson from
Mobile, Alabama, and he gave the closing prayer, with
the last few sentences or words being in some language
other than English, which source could not understand.
Source pointed out that Mrs. BARNES usually gives the
closing prayer, and the last few words are in Latin
source believes. He noted that neither Mr. or Mrs.
BARNES put an Amen on the end of the prayer.

Jackson, Mississippi
9/20/68

Source advised that he had conferred with L. E. MATTHEWS on 9/19/68. Apparently there was something on local television about the jury in the Dr. MEYER's abortion case being possibly tampered with and it was being called back in session. MATTHEWS indicated he was quite concerned about this jury being called back and questioned about JOE DANIEL HAWKINS' trial in the Blackwell Bombing and the jury in the possession of explosives trial of J. L. HARPER. He indicated that at least one or two on the HARPER trial were depended upon to render a hung jury, and that one for sure on DANNY's trial knew that he would have to bring about a hung jury, this being the only chance for keeping HAWKINS out of jail.

Jackson, Mississippi
9/20/68

MINUTEMEN

Source advised that he had been in contact with L. E. MATTHEWS on 9/19/68 at which time he indicated that a high official in the Minutemen had been in Meridian, Mississippi, either Saturday or Sunday, and conferred with THOMAS ALBERT TARRANTS, III. MATTHEWS inferred that this official had contacted SAM BOWERS, Mr. SIDNEY BARNES, and L. E. MATTHEWS.

Source asked MATTHEWS a direct question, "Did you see him," whereupon MATTHEWS stated, "I may have."

Source pointed out that MATTHEWS made a trip last Friday, 9/13/68 for the weekend, but source would not know MATTHEWS' travels until his credit card tickets came in. Source further indicated that MATTHEWS, who usually confides in him, has been most secretive about the trip last weekend.

Source continued that this official had assured THOMAS ALBERT TARRANTS, III, that TARRANTS had nothing to worry about in his prosecution at Meridian, as the Minutemen Organization and funds were behind him.

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Source stated that he had never heard of the following individuals being mentioned in Klan or APWR circles:

JAMES L. HINES
HERMAN H. GRIFFIN, JR.
BERNIE CRAMPTON

JOE DANIEL HAWKINS
BANK ROBBERY TRIAL

Source reiterated that the main topic of conversation at the APWR meeting was the efforts to free HAWKINS on bond for the two weeks remaining before his trial. Source reported it had come to his attention that L. E. MATTHEWS, the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM, summoned to his residence on the night of 9/18/68, ELAINE SMITH PEEBLES. For hours he attempted to pressure her into putting up \$25,000 cash toward the bond of HAWKINS. Source stated that ELAINE put up all types of excuses as to why she could not; such as her funds were tied up to prevent this type of thing, secondly that she could not draw from her account at Deposit Guaranty National Bank without the okay of her attorney, and various other excuses.

SMITH pointed out that JOHNNIE and CATHY HAWKINS were dressing in new clothes in exceptionally good taste these days, and further that CATHY is permitted to keep her gross receipts at the Downtown Coiffeurs, and that she can easily make and take home \$70 per day.

It was pointed out by one of these persons that over \$5,000 had been made, cleared, and turned over to the HAWKINSes from the sale of the GEORGE and LURLINE WALLACE Magazine.

At one point, ELAINE SMITH PEEBLES made a tentative offer to put up \$25,000 of her money on the condition that JOHNNIE HAWKINS would let her hold the \$20,000 plus taken from the Memphis Bank as security for ELAINE's part. MATTHEWS indicated that JOHNNIE HAWKINS might do this and generally inferred that he, MATTHEWS, had been in on the planning of the robbery and there was no doubt but what JOE DANIEL HAWKINS had robbed the bank with the knowledge of JOE DENVER and L. E. MATTHEWS. MATTHEWS concluded by stating that PERCY QUINN was sitting in a motel in Memphis waiting on ELAINE SMITH PEEBLES' decision re the \$25,000.

In connection with the trial, MATTHEWS pointed out that they have six witnesses that will prove that DANNY was in Jackson and that he could not possibly have been in Memphis at the time of the robbery. He called no names of the witnesses nor did he mention any material company or other company whose records might be subpoenaed to show they had done business with money from the robbery.

Source pointed out that MATTHEWS discussed the fact that the witness that JOHNNIE HAWKINS had flown down from the Memphis bank did not go before the Grand Jury to indict DANNY. MATTHEWS made some incoherent statement about the eye witnesses, that is something said about doing something with them or words to that effect. MATTHEWS commented that the APWR is reimbursing JOHNNIE HAWKINS, JOE DENVER HAWKINS, and PERCY QUINN for any money they spend for the defense of JOE DANIEL HAWKINS. MATTHEWS indicated that Attorney PERCY QUINN has several things up his sleeve that may not be quite "kosher." One of these stunts that he plans to pull involves the pistol used by HAWKINS during the robbery. QUINN has had JOE DENVER HAWKINS purchase a pistol like the one HAWKINS used. QUINN indicated that the pistol and evidence would be lying on the table in front of the Judge. QUINN will pick it up and stick it under his coat, where he will have the pistol that JOE DENVER purchased hidden. QUINN will then pull out both pistols and try to confuse the jury as to how the jurymen could identify the pistol used in the robbery. QUINN has indicated that he has several other tricks and said he would be able to pull them before the judge caught on to what he was doing and it would have already made its impression on the jury, although the judge might not allow it as evidence.

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Source reported that while MATTHEWS and ELAINE SMITH PEEBLES were conferring, he heard MATTHEWS tell PEEBLES several times during the evening that SAM BOWERS was not dead yet. Source did not know the significance of MATTHEWS' making such a statement on approximately three occasions during the evening. Source stated he has the feeling and it is strictly only a feeling that something big is brewing. He stated that he overheard something to the effect that BILL PICKEL, JACK HELM, a top Klansman in Louisiana, and someone else had been on a trip Saturday night, however, L. E. MATTHEWS claimed that he was not alone. Source did not know whether or not these individuals had been with the top Minutemen official from the West Coast who had attempted to contact THOMAS ALBERT TARRANTS, III, in the Lauderdale County Jail at Meridian this past Saturday night, 9/14/68.

L. E. MATTHEWS, JR.

Source advised that it had come to his attention that on the night of 9/18/68 MATTHEWS had the two same male visitors that had slipped into his back door the previous Wednesday night. Their arrival was announced by the dogs barking. MATTHEWS commented that he had visitors, and told ELAINE SMITH and his young son to stay where they were for a bit. SMITH went to the bedroom of MATTHEWS, and the boy stayed in the living room on the second level of the tri-level. MATTHEWS talked to the two men outside, they talked for awhile under the carport on the first level. Two doors were heard to close which were believed to have been the trunk and a door of MATTHEWS car. SMITH had her car parked in the rear of the house where it could not be seen by her husband or others.

During the conversation of the three men, the names "RED", BREWER, JOHN, PITTMAN, or PITTARD, DAVIS, "The Board", and SAM (BOWERS) were heard, but in what connection not clear at all. The larger of the men would raise his voice occasionally. This man is very broadshouldered. Source stated that these individuals' mode of travel is still unknown. They came up to the back door, as last week, and MATTHEWS walked them out front toward his mothers. No cars were heard to start, no lights were seen. In the period of 30 minutes after they were known to be gone, three or four cars passed on the road which is a couple hundred yards out in front of MATTHEWS' house.

It was not known by source whether or not the trip of last weekend had anything to do with these visitors. MATTHEWS said he saw someone in a wig over the weekend but it was not a woman. Source said the younger of the men possibly could wear a woman's wig and with proper dress could pass for a woman, but added this is merely speculation.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/9/68

J. L. COLLUMS, Route 5, Pontotoc, Mississippi, a teacher at Thaxton School, Pontotoc County, Mississippi, and a near neighbor of JOHN H. WILLARD, advised that on April 4, 1968, he observed WILLARD mowing the lawn at his residence, probably sometime around 6:00 PM, exact time not recalled.

Mr. COLLUMS said that WILLARD has not resided in the neighborhood too long, but he believes him to be a person of good character and reputation.

On 4/5/68 at Pontotoc, Mississippi File # Jackson 157-9586-629
by SA JOHN S. CASTLES:mif Date dictated 4/8/68

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Date 4/9/68

M. C. HEMBREE, Ecu, Mississippi, former sheriff of Pontotoc County, Mississippi, advised that JOHN H. WILLARD was arrested in 1958 in Memphis, Tennessee, as a fugitive from Pontotoc County. He said the warrant was for arson and that when WILLARD was arrested in Memphis he was returned to Pontotoc County, where he pleaded guilty on the arson charge and received three years probation.

He said that part of the time while on probation WILLARD resided in Memphis, Tennessee, and the other part resided in Pontotoc County, Mississippi.

Mr. HEMBREE advised that WILLARD formerly resided in the Ecu community of Pontotoc County but now resides west of Pontotoc, Mississippi, on Highway 6 in a new home. He said WILLARD works in a factory either in Pontotoc or in a surrounding city, but he does not know the name of the factory. He said he considers WILLARD to be a person of good character and reputation and does not know of any criminal offenses for which he might have been charged since 1958.

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TO: SACs, Memphis (Enclosures 2)
Jackson (Enclosures 2)

FROM: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Enclosed are two copies of a memorandum received from the Department relative to the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. The attached sets forth interview of Mr. Bill Sartor by Department attorney on June 12, 1968, and August 22, 1968, however, the memorandum was not furnished to us until September 23, 1968.

Memphis should completely evaluate the contents of the Departmental memorandum and submit comments and recommendations to the Bureau including what investigative aspects of the Departmental memorandum completed and indices check of Sartor. This should be handled immediately.

Jackson should immediately furnish Bureau and Memphis results of indices check concerning Sartor. Two copies of the Departmental memorandum furnished to Jackson in the event it becomes necessary for investigation to be conducted in the future.

Based upon available data, no information recorded in Bureau files concerning Bill Sartor. No interview of Sartor should be conducted until Bureau advises.

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J. Harold Flannery

James Earl Ray, Subject;
Martin Luther King, Jr., Victim.
Conspiracy Against Rights
CIVIL RIGHTS

I

I interviewed Bill Sartor in connection with the captioned matter for about four hours on August 22, 1968. He had been identified to me in June by Jesse Epps as a reporter who had been inquiring into the possible existence of a conspiracy to assassinate Dr. King. At Mr. Epps' request I met Sartor then briefly, and he gave me bits and pieces of information and rumors about the killing that he had accumulated to that point. His interest had been aroused, he said, by the firm conviction among many Negroes in Memphis that there was a conspiracy possibly involving some members of the Memphis Police Department. My conversation with him in June is set out in part II, below.

Sartor lives at 1242 Kirk Circle in Greenville, Mississippi (phone 335-3272), with his wife and one or two children. He is a contract writer for Time, Inc., and he has covered Memphis, particularly racial matters, since before the Sanitation Workers strike. He appears to be known and trusted by those Negro leaders in Memphis with whom I have talked (Epps, Trotter, Rev. Jackson, Rev. Bell, etc.), and he says that he is close to the (former) Mayor Ingram faction of the white community. I attach a copy of his latest piece on Memphis which appeared in the August 16, 1968, issue of Time.

~~I can not evaluate Sartor's reliability or~~
that of his sources, but he is a "low key" fellow who is not apparently irrational or fanciful. He says he

approached the allegations of a conspiracy with skepticism (which I doubt), but that he is now largely persuaded there was one. He declines (for the moment) to identify his sources, with three unimportant exceptions, beyond saying that they include four or five petty racketeers in Memphis, New Orleans, and elsewhere and one well placed protege of Carlos Marcellos in New Orleans.

He comes to us, he says, primarily to assist in ascertaining the truth, but also with the expectation or hope that we will feed investigative results back to him. If that is not possible, he would like to be given the story first or, failing that, no later than anyone else. He has been spending most of his time on this since the assassination, but can not go much farther because some his sources have begun to ask for the kind of money or protection that he is unable to provide.

Charlie Stein, a petty racketeer connected with organized crime, contacted James Earl Ray in Los Angeles and told him that there were people in New Orleans whom he ought to talk to. Whether Stein happened upon Ray or sought him out knowing that he needed money and was an escaped prisoner is not known, but Ray was told that the people he ought to talk to would help him with money and his fugitive status.

Ray's contacts in New Orleans were with Mafia-Cosa Nostra representatives who referred him to Frank Leberto (or Liberto), a Memphis racketeer and lieutenant of Carlos Marcellos, the Southern Mafia chieftan in New Orleans. Leberto owns or works at the Scott Street Produce Market where John McFerren of Somerville allegedly overheard a man speaking on the telephone say, on or about the day of the assassination: "Shoot him on the balcony, shoot him anywhere; and go to New Orleans for your money, don't come back here."

According to Sartor's informants, the Cosa Nostra agreed to "broker" or to arrange the assassination, for an amount somewhat in excess of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000), after they were contacted in the Northeast (New Jersey or Pennsylvania), by representatives of "Forever White", an elite organization of wealthy

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segregationists with officers or subgroups in seven Southern states. The Mafia's (which Sartor used interchangeably with Cosa Nostra throughout the interview) interest was less the money than the investment-type opportunity presented, i.e., to get in a position to extract (or extort) governmental or other favors from some well placed Southern white persons, including the KKK and White Citizens Councils. Quitman, Mississippi, was said by Sartor to be a possible base of "Forever White's" operations.

[redacted] allegedly a Memphis segregationist, extortionist, narcotics pusher, and petty racketeer, may have been a contact between the Mafia and "Forever White." In any event, he is thought to have gone to Miami, Florida, between April 14 and 24, 1968, where he may have picked up money to be delivered to Philadelphia or New Jersey. [redacted] also may have been instrumental in getting Ray out of Memphis after the assassination either by truck (according to Sartor's New Orleans informants) or in [redacted] private plane, which is said to use a private landing strip at Millington and which is piloted by one [redacted]

According to Sartor, [redacted] and [redacted], two professional killers, are also involved. [redacted] allegedly met James Earl Ray at a Lion Service Station in Memphis the day of or the night before the shooting. [redacted] has been saying that he works for Frank Lebarto and is responsible for "getting" James Earl Ray. According to one of Sartor's New Orleans informants, James Earl Ray was seen at, or stayed at, the Pontotoc Hotel in Memphis approximately three days before the shooting.

The original plan was that Ray would be arrested immediately after the shooting, tried, and acquitted. There was a change, however, perhaps as late as an hour before the shooting, due to a mix-up involving the money. Either the Mafia wanted him at large until the balance of the price was paid or, more likely, says Sartor, the money was still in the North and the shares of those in

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Memphis (Leberto and others) had not been paid, and it was they who wanted Ray at large as a lever on higher-ups in the rackets.

In any event, Sartor's informants claim that Ray's escape from Memphis was engineered with the connivance of several Memphis police officers who knew of the plot. After the money problem was resolved, Ray deliberately permitted himself to be arrested in London with the understanding that he will be acquitted in Memphis. However, another story has it that he will be killed in a holocaust which will endanger a large number of lives.

Two aspects of the foregoing information persuade Sartor of its accuracy. First, he has received identical fragments of information independently from different sources. Secondly, several of his sources in Memphis and New Orleans have told him that agents of Bureau and non-Bureau Justice Department representatives, including a man named (FNU) Voight, have interviewed them about the assassination.

Sartor took me to meet Pat Lyons who, according to Sartor, is a petty gambler with sources of information close to Frank Leberto. In my presence, Lyons repeated to Sartor that, according to "Ernie" (Lyons did not give a last name), Ray met [redacted] at a Lion Service Station on the night before or the day of the shooting. Lyons expressed concern for the safety of his wife and children; I did not comment or ask him any questions. He also said that the "talk" was that Ray would be acquitted.

Sartor says that his informants will probably be willing to talk to us, but that they will ask for money, immunity, or protection or all three. Because Sartor wants us to contact his principal informants through him, he declined to identify any contacts except Lyons, Rev. Carl Basinger and Memphis policeman E. E. Redditt, below.

An additional, apparently unrelated, piece of information furnished by Sartor was that a little Negro

boy allegedly heard a shot and saw a man jump up from the bushes behind the rooming house (below the window area from which the shot is thought to have been fired) and run off. According to Sartor, the little boy has been identified and interviewed by Bureau agents and the Memphis Police Department.

II

During our first conversation, on June 12, 1968, Sartor gave me the following fragments of allegations and information:

1. Shortly after the killing, a bartender overheard some Memphis policemen say that there had been a "slip-up," and that the assassination was originally scheduled to take place after the march for which Dr. King had returned to Memphis. When I asked Sartor about this in August, he said that one of his New Orleans informants had also referred to a similar change in plans.

2. A minister, identified by Sartor in August as Rev. Carl Basinger, 1617 E. Moreland, Memphis, was advised by a ranking officer in the Memphis Police Department (captain or above) not to go near Dr. King because something was going to happen to him.

3. According to former Mayor Ingram (although my notes are not clear as to whether Sartor got this directly from him), a civilian was seen lying in the back of a police car immediately after the shooting, and near Mulberry or Huling he got out of the police car, into another car, and was driven away. Sartor had nothing further on this in August.

4. John McFerren, the Negro civil rights activist from Somerville, Tennessee, overheard part of a telephone conversation at the Scott Street Produce Market in which the speaker allegedly made the comments noted above. Shortly thereafter, McFerren was visited,

for no apparent reason, by a man named Powers from New Orleans. Sartor had nothing further on this in August.

5. An unidentified Negro policeman was moved from his assignment at the Fire Station (and Police Tactical Unit Station) at about 5:00 p.m. on the day of the assassination. According to Sartor, the Dispatcher told the policeman to move two or three times during the afternoon, but he did not do so until explicitly advised to that effect by a superior. In August, Sartor identified the policeman as E. E. Redditt and said that Redditt had broken off an interview with Sartor after starting to discuss his move from the station.

6. Two Negro firemen were moved from the station a day or two before the shooting. One of them has reportedly told friends that, two or three days before Dr. King was shot, a telescope or binoculars were set up on a tripod in the fire station and focused on the Lorraine Motel balcony. In August, Sartor said that one fireman left the Department or was suspended shortly after the shooting, and that he has been unable to locate either of them. He did not have their names.

7. Memphis Chief of Detectives, W. P. Houston, called the Lorraine Motel in the early afternoon of April 4 and spoke to a maid named Delores (LNU). He inquired about stationing detectives there, and the maid said that the manager would call back. He did not; nor did Houston. Sartor says that former Mayor Ingram provided this information.

Sartor was unable during either interview to relate the foregoing allegations to his conspiracy theory, but he says that some of it, and other information possessed by former Mayor Ingram concerning corruption in the Police Department, suggest that a number of officers may have known of or participated in the conspiracy--because they were bribed or feared exposure.

I told Sartor that I would report his information to my superiors.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

IN FORM 2

APPROVED 12-8-65

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

DATE:

9/23/68

FROM : SA

Thompson Berry Webb

SUBJECT:

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RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

RACIAL INFORMANT INFORMATION DISSEMINATION SHEET

On

9/18/68

FOIA(b)7 - (D)

furnished the

following information regarding subject to SA Webb; the original detailed information is located in Jackson file

FOIA(b)7 - (D)

1. Subject attended meeting of _____ Klavern on _____.
2. Subject not known to be Klansman.
3. Subject unknown to informant.
4. Subject recruited as member on _____.
5. Subject sworn into _____ Klavern on _____ (date).
6. Subject elected to office of _____.
7. Subject is member of _____ Klavern.
8. Subject resides at _____.
9. Subject employed at _____.

10. Other information or remarks:

Source did not know following with Apur or KKK.

Jamie L. Hines
Herman Griffin, Jr.

11. See informant file for additional detailed information.

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)

MURKIN - COST DATA

Re Jackson airtel dated 8/2/68.

Cost data from the Jackson Division from 8/1/68 to 8/30/68, is as follows:

1. A. Special Agents:

Regular Man Hours:	42
Overtime	6
- B. Clerical Employees

Regular Man Hours:	4
Overtime	None
2. Total mileage (estimated) 185
3. Unusual or out-of-the-ordinary expenses none
4. Peak number of Special Agents working on case at anytime during the month: 5

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AIR MAIL

TO SAC, DALLAS
FROM SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (157-1003) (RUC)

ACQUISITION OF WEAPONS
BY RACIAL EXTREMIST GROUPS
RM

Re Jackson airtel to Charlotte, 8/12/68.

Enclosed for Dallas is one copy of referenced airtel
for background information.

The following investigation was conducted by
SA WILLIAM R. TURNER on 8/23/68:

At Nashville, Indiana

HOWARD H. ZODY, (protect identity), Postmaster,
advised his records reflect the following forwarding address
for GORDON STEPHEN BUTTORFF, as 9725 Plano Road, Dallas,
Texas. He stated the effective date of this address is
7/1/68.

LEAD:

DALLAS At Dallas, Texas

Will contact GORDON STEPHEN BUTTORFF, 9725 Plano
Road, for any information concerning the whereabouts
of HORACE BYRON GARR, JR.

2 - Dallas (Enc. 1) (RM)
1 - Charlotte (Info) (RM)
⑤ - Jackson (RM) (Info)
 (1 - 157-922) (1-174-161)
 (1 - 157-9536) (1-157-22)

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TO: SAC, JACKSON (157-922)

FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-494)(P)

SUBJECT: ACQUISITION OF WEAPONS BY
RACIAL EXTREMIST GROUPS
RM

Re Jackson airtel to Charlotte, 8/12/68.

The Mobile Office currently has four neighborhood sources who reside in the close proximity to the residence of SIDNEY CROCKETT BARNES at 1379 E. Riviera Dr., Mobile, Ala., and who are in a position to furnish information concerning his whereabouts. The residence of this subject is in a secluded area and close visual observation of visitors is extremely difficult due to the heavy shrubbery on the property. These sources have reported continuously BARNES' presence at his residence, and on 8/20/68, Mrs. MARY LONGCRIER, 1382 E. Riviera Dr., reported BARNES' presence at his residence and also reported that a second individual was conversing with BARNES and was evidently intending to stay the night at the BARNES' residence. It is to be noted that the Miami Office had previously advised Mobile that [FOIA(b)7 - (D)] contemplated a visit to BARNES in Mobile on this date. It is further to be noted that [FOIA(b)7 - (D)] advised that he had received a letter from BARNES in which BARNES stated that he

- 4 - Jackson (2-157-922)
(1-157-51)(1-157-9586)
- 1 - Charlotte (Info)
- 4 - Miami (1-44-1854)(1-157-918)
(1-157-1164) [FOIA(b)7 - (D)]
- 5 - Mobile (2-157-494)
(1-157-517)(1-157-528)
(1-174-71)

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was contemplating moving in the near future to 5605 Plemon Dr., Jackson, Miss. The neighborhood sources have reported during the past weeks that BARNES has been loading boxes and clothing in the rear of his personally owned station wagon and has been taking them with him each morning as he drives to work, returning to his home in the evening with an empty car.

A review of the files of the Mobile Office fails to reflect current information concerning NOAH JEFFERSON CARDEN, but reflects that on 12/15/67 he operated a night club in Mobile called Jeff's Smokehouse, and resided at the time at 2359 W. Hollwood Rd., Mobile. CARDEN was observed in the Mobile area on 8/19/68 by members of the Mobile PD Intelligence Unit.

The current residence and employment of NOAH JEFFERSON CARDEN will be ascertained.

A review of the files of the Mobile Office fails to reflect any information concerning HORACE BYRON GAAR, JR., and there is no record of his having been in the Mobile area. As of late 1965 the whereabouts of GAAR were unknown at the Mobile Office, and no information has come to their attention indicating his present whereabouts.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

Date 8-2-68

Name and F.P.C.	FBI No.	A.O.	I.O.	W.F.	CC	Cancellation
George William Tyree, Jr. 20 L 1 U OIO 16 S 1 U OOO	4, 714, 268	3337	3780			Federal process dismissed. (8-2-68)
Don Ferris McCall, Jr. 21 M 1 U 15 L 3 Wr	327, 089 B	3338	4092			Located Northridge, Calif., 7-17-68. (8-2-68)
James Earl Ray 16 M 9 U OOO 12 M 4 W IOI	405, 942 G	3339	4182	442 442A		Extradited London, England to Memphis, ✓ Tenn., 7-19-68.
John Michael Walton 17 I 30 W OMI I 32 W IOI	356, 640 E	3340	4200			Located Lowndes Co., Alabama, 8-2-68. (8-2-68)
Robert Vance Walton 14 M 13 U OOM 12 Ref: 13 I 25 U OOO 26	361, 075 E	3341	4201			Located Lowndes Co., Alabama, 8-2-68. (8-2-68)
James Joseph Scully 2 M 21 W 19 Ref: 21 I 17 Ra 19	1, 170, 115	3342	4202			Located Arcadia, Calif., 7-23-68. (8-2-68)
Jimmie Johnson 20 L 1 Ut 6 Ref: U M 1 U T	11, 215 F	3343	4203			Located St. Louis, Missouri, 7-15-68. (8-2-68)

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To: SAC, Miami (44-1854)
From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

In view of the [redacted] of Mrs. Margaret Capomacchia, mother of Kathleen Ainsworth, and in view of the past performance of the informant, Miami should have no further contact with the former informant in regard to the information that Kathleen Ainsworth and five other individuals were involved in the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.

In view of the fact that in interview with Mrs. Capomacchia she denies any knowledge of this alleged participation in the assassination and refuses to discuss it, receiving offices should conduct no further investigation in this aspect.

If any further information comes to your attention regarding this, you should notify the Bureau of same, submit your recommendations and take no further action.

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1 - SAC, Memphis (44-1987)

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TO: SAC, CHARLOTTE

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-922) (P)

ACQUISITION OF WEAPONS
BY RACIAL EXTREMIST GROUPS
RM

Re Miami tel to Bureau, Charlotte, Jackson, Memphis,
dated 8/10/68, with airmail copies to Atlanta and Mobile.

Enclosed for Charlotte is one photo of HORACE BYRON
GAAR, JR.

On 8/11/68, the Jackson Office furnished the Miami
Division via AMSD a current photo of THOMAS ALBERT TARRANTS, III.

A review of Jackson file 157-22, Bufile 157-2887,
captioned "HORACE BYRON GAAR, JR.; RM", disclosed that from the
period March 24, 1964, when GAAR and NOAH JEFFERSON CARDEN were
arrested by ATTU Agents at George County, Mississippi, for
operating an illegal distillery, and possession of illegal fire-
arms, a fugitive-type investigation was conducted by the Jackson
Division in an attempt to locate GAAR. This matter was closed
by the Jackson Division on 10/26/65.

- 2 - Charlotte (Encs.1) (RM)
- 1 - Atlanta (Info) (RM)
- 2 - Cincinnati (157-569) (RM)
- 2 - Indianapolis (157-144) (RM)
- 2 - Louisville (157-204) (RM)
- 1 - Memphis (44-1987) (RM)
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- 3 - Mobile (157-528) (157-494) (RM)
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By letter dated 5/18/66, HERBERT R. DAVIS, Chief, Compliance and Security Division, Federal Aviation Agency (FAA), Southern Region, P.O. Box 20636, Atlanta, Georgia, 30320, advised the Jackson Division that GAAR was then in Managua, Nicaragua, address furnished as Box 2458, that city. The letter alleged that GAAR used this address when he took a medical examination in connection with his Airman's Certificate.

Investigation in the Jackson Division in 1964 and 1965 to locate GAAR disclosed he was a former pilot for Eastern Airlines.

On 7/15/65, DONALD BEALL, Airman Certificate Branch, FAA, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, advised that GAAR holds Airline Transport Pilot Certificate # 406012, dated 12/16/60, with ratings: Airplane Multi-Engine Land; Martin 202/404; Commercial privileges; Airplane single-engine, land. Address: 11850 Southwest 185th Street, Miami 57, Florida.

DEAN MITCHELL, Aeromedical Records Branch, FAA, Oklahoma City, advised that GAAR was afforded a medical examination on 11/5/64, at which time he indicated his address as Box 434, Coconut Grove 33, Florida. GAAR was given a first-class ATP Medical Certificate with no limitations. At that time, GAAR indicated his occupation as a self-employed pilot, one and one-half years, military file # 15364092.

Jackson Division files failed to disclose any current information concerning automobiles or airplanes available to GAAR.

It is being noted GAAR was a licensed airplane pilot and according to source in Miami Division, GAAR is presently in Texas.

It is also noted in re Miami tel to Bureau that SIDNEY CROCKETTE BARNES was with THOMAS ALBERT TARRANTS, III around 4/18/68, which information is based on a bill of sale bearing

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that date that was located in the automobile used by TARRANTS and AINSWORTH in the attempted bombing of MEYER DAVIDSON's house in Meridian, Mississippi, 6/30/68.

All offices receiving a copy of this communication should bear in mind the possibility that ROBERT BOLIVAR DePUGH, IO # 4176, and WALTER PATRICK PEYSON, IO # 4181, both Bureau fugitives, may be hiding out at the locations described in re Miami tel. All leads should be covered expeditiously and thoroughly. Since SIDNEY CROCKETTE BARNES is apparently an associate of TARRANTS, it appears imperative that BARNES, GAAR and CARDEN should be located and their activities for the past several months verified.

The following descriptive information was obtained from CHARLES CAMPBELL, ATTU, Pascagoula, Mississippi, on 3/24/64:

Name	HORACE BYRON GAAR, JR.
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	2/14/26
POB	Louisville, Kentucky
Height	5'10½"
Weight	145
Hair/eyes	Brown
Complexion	Ruddy
Build	Slim
Education	High school graduate
Marital status	Separated
Occupation	Pilot
Relatives	H. B. GAAR, SR., Anchorage, Kentucky (Father)
Social Security #	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 1.2em; display: inline-block;"></div>

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Name	NOAH JEFFERSON CARDEN, aka Noah Junior Carden
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Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	8/30/23
POB	College Park, Georgia
Height	6'3½"
Weight	195
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Ruddy
Marital status	Separated from MARGARET CARDEN, Washington College, Tennessee
Education	Three years college, University of Miami and Louisiana State University
Tattoo	"Marine Air Corps" left shoulder
Identification Numbers	Had Florida Real Estate License R8133

LEADS:

CHARLOTTE

AT CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

Will exhibit photos of TARRANTS and GAAR to Mrs.
SULLINGER.

CINCINNATI

AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

Will attempt to recontact FRED A. LINK, 7067 Marcarol
Lane, phone 231-3857, for any current information concerning
GAAR. If possible, determine GAAR's present whereabouts and
his activities for the past two years.

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INDIANAPOLIS

AT NASHVILLE, INDIANA

Will recontact GORDON STEPHEN BUTTORFF, last known to be residing on Green Valley Road, for any information concerning GAAR. (Mrs. BUTTORFF was contacted on 8/31/65, and at that time, advised she last saw GAAR at Christmas, 1964, when he dropped by her home for a few minutes.)

LOUISVILLE

AT ANCHORAGE, KENTUCKY

Will interview GAAR's father, H. B. GAAR, SR., concerning present whereabouts and activity of his son for the past two-year period.

MOBILE

AT MOBILE, ALABAMA

Will review files on SIDNEY CROCKETTE BARNES, 157-494; HORACE BYRON GAAR, JR., 157-528; and NOAH JEFFERSON CARDEN, 157-517, for any information concerning their present whereabouts and set forth leads, if necessary, to locate them.

OKLAHOMA CITY

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

Will recontact FAA for current information concerning HORACE BYRON GAAR, JR., particularly his present location and description of any airplanes or automobiles available to GAAR.

JACKSON

AT COLUMBUS, MISSISSIPPI

JN 157-922

Will locate BILLY GENE BETTS, pilot and former associate of GAAR, and through interview or informants, determine if BETTS has been in contact with GAAR.

HORACE BYRON GAAR SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS AT ALL TIMES BASED ON HIS PAST RECORD.

ROBERT BOLIVAR DePUGH REPORTEDLY CARRIES A PISTOL AND HAS ACCESS TO OTHER TYPES OF WEAPONS, INCLUDING HAND GRENADES. CONSIDER EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

WALTER PATRICK PEYSON REPORTEDLY CARRIES A HANDGUN AND HAS ACCESS TO OTHER TYPES OF WEAPONS, INCLUDING HAND GRENADES. CONSIDER EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 5/14/68*tabulated*

LEON CLIFTON BLAYLOCK, JR., was advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and of the nature of the inquiry. BLAYLOCK was advised that he did not have to furnish any information, that any information furnished by him could be used against him in a court of law, and that he was entitled to consult an attorney or anyone else prior to furnishing any information, by SA JAMES F. BODMAN, JR.

BLAYLOCK, who was interviewed at the Travel Inn Motel, advised as follows:

He formerly operated the Candlelite Lounge, Highway 82 West, Winona, Mississippi, during June and July, 1967. BLAYLOCK advised that he recalls an individual by the name of J. W. ROGERS, who is from and resides in the Winona area, coming into the lounge just about every day during June and July, 1967.

BLAYLOCK stated that ROGERS, who "got drunk every day," would after getting drunk boast that he would pay \$100,000 to anyone who would kill Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BLAYLOCK stated that no one paid any serious attention to ROGERS, as ROGERS seldom had enough money to pay for his own drinks.

BLAYLOCK stated that ROGERS and his drinking became such a problem that he stopped ROGERS from coming into his place of business.

BLAYLOCK stated that he has never heard of anyone from the state of Florida offering \$100,000 to have Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING killed. He said that the

On 5/10/68 at Greenwood, Mississippi File # Jackson 157-9586 - 618
by SA JAMES F. BODMAN, JR., &
SA CHARLES W. HARVEY; JFB:mif Date dictated 5/13/68

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only person he ever heard mention having Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING killed is J. W. ROGERS, and no one ever paid any attention to ROGERS.

The following description of BLAYLOCK was obtained through observation and interview:

Name	LEON CLIFTON BLAYLOCK, JR.
Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	Winona, Mississippi
Height	5' 8½"
Weight	185 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Hazel
Residence	Speedway Street, Winona, Mississippi
Employment	Salesman, Canale Company, Memphis, Tennessee
Arrest Record	Admits to no arrests

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 5/9/68

HENRY GRADY CARROLL was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and the nature of the inquiry. CARROLL was advised that he did not have to furnish any information, that any information furnished by him could be used against him in a court of law, and he was entitled to consult an attorney or anyone else prior to furnishing any statement.

CARROLL was interviewed at the Carroll Body Shop, North Main Extension, and advised as follows:

He stated that he has never made a statement to the effect that he was going to kill or have killed Doctor MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CARROLL advised that he "hopes the fellow who killed King is never caught." He stated that he is a segregationist and does not believe in integration in any form.

CARROLL advised that he was not involved in and has no information regarding the murder of KING.

The following description was obtained through interview and observation:

Name	HENRY GRADY CARROLL
Date of Birth	April 26, 1919
Place of Birth	Carroll County, Mississippi
Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	5 feet, 11 inches
Weight	190 pounds
Hair	Gray (balding)
Eyes	Hazel

On 5/7/68 at Grenada, Mississippi File # Jackson 157-9586 - 617
by SA JAMES F. BODMAN, JR.:bal Date dictated 5/9/68

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Occupation	Operator and Owner of Carroll's Body Shop, Grenada, Mississippi
Residence	2229 Pegg Street Grenada, Mississippi
Former Occupation	Constable, Grenada County, Grenada, Mississippi, 1960-1967

CARROLL advised that his brother, OTIS CARROLL, is married to BERNICE BROWNLOW, the sister of OAKLEY BROWNLOW, who resides in Chicago, Illinois.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re Miami teletype to the Bureau, 8/2/68, setting forth information to Miami by [redacted] concerning MARGARET CAPOMACCHIA.

Mobile was requested to be alert as to activities of SIDNEY C. BARNES who reportedly was leaving for Jackson, Miss., 8/2/68.

SIDNEY CROCKETTE BARNES, 1379 East Riviera Drive, Mobile, Ala., is a bombing suspect of the Mobile Office and his activity has been covered in the past month by four different neighborhood sources. No information has been reported by these sources to indicate that BARNES was away from his residence just prior to or subsequent to the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING. These sources have furnished no information indicating that THOMAS A. TARRANTS, III or KATHLEEN AINSWORTH had stayed at the BARNES' residence.

In the late afternoon of 8/2/68, neighborhood source, Mrs. MARY LONGCRIER, 1382 East Riviera Drive, telephonically advised that at about 5:20 PM that date she had observed BARNES in his stationwagon which vehicle appeared to be packed as if BARNES was moving from the residence. She did not see Mrs. BARNES on that occasion.

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On the morning of 8/5/68, Mrs. LONGCRIER advised that BARNES had returned to his residence at 4 PM, Sunday, 8/4/68, and had left about 5 AM, 8/5/68, apparently enroute to work.

On 8/5/68, neighborhood source, Mrs. GERALDINE WILKINSON, 1383 East Riviera Drive, advised that both Mr. and Mrs. BARNES, according to Mrs. WILKINSON's daughter, were at their residence late in the afternoon of Sunday, 8/4/68, and left in their stationwagon which was loaded down. She had not seen them on the morning of 8/5/68.

It appears that BARNES may be moving, possibly to Miss., since he works in Miss. His activities are being followed in order to determine whether or not he moves and to determine any contacts which may have a bearing on this case.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND MIAMI (44-1854)
FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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RE MIAMI AND JACKSON TELS AUGUST TWO LAST.

JACKSON DIVISION HAS ACCOUNTED FOR WHEREABOUTS BURRIS DUNN,
JOE DANIEL HAWKINS, J. L. HARPER, AND KATHLEEN AINSWORTH, AND
HAS STATED IT IS IMPOSSIBLE THAT ROBERT EARL WILSON COULD HAVE
BEEN INVOLVED WITH THESE PERSONS ON DAY MARTIN LUTHER KING KILLED.

IN SPITE OF ABOVE, MIAMI SHOULD REINTERVIEW MARGARET
CAPOMACCHIA, MOTHER OF DECEASED AINSWORTH, FOR ANY AND ALL
INFORMATION WHICH SHE MAY HAVE IN HER POSSESSION INDICATING
THAT ANYONE CONSPIRED WITH SUBJECT RAY TO MURDER KING.

MIAMI SHOULD ACCOUNT FOR WHEREABOUTS CAPOMACCHIA ON APRIL
FOUR AND ASCERTAIN FROM HER WHAT SHE MAY KNOW ABOUT HER DAUGHTER'S
CONNECTION WITH THIS ALLEGED PLOT.

~~IN FUTURE, PRIOR TO REQUESTING INVESTIGATION OF OTHER
OFFICES, MIAMI REQUESTED TO MAKE SOME EFFORT TO RESOLVE INFORMA-
TION REPORTED BY FORMER INFORMANTS AS HAVING COME FROM A~~

~~MIAMI SHOULD ADVISE BUREAU AND MEMPHIS OF ITS ESTIMATE~~

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA RICHARD L. BROCK at Forest, Mississippi:

On May 8, 1968, Mrs. ISODORE ODOM, Route 3,
Box 124, Forest, Mississippi, advised her telephone
number is area code 601-625-8547, and the same number
was hers during December, 1967.

She advised she has a brother ERNEST BEEMAN,
Negro male, 305 Pee Wee Alley, Beaumont, Texas, who
calls her on occasion, but who does not have a telephone
of his own. Mrs. ODOM stated she cannot specifically
recall receiving a call from her brother during December,
1967, but believes she may have called him sometime just
prior to Christmas, 1967.

Mrs. ODOM further stated JAMES EARL RAY is
unknown to her.

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA EDGAR C. FORTENBERRY at Hattiesburg, Mississippi:

After unsuccessful attempts on May 8 and 9, 1968, Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT HERRIN, U. S. Highway 49 North near Forrest County and Covington County line, were located and interviewed on May 10, 1968. Mr. and Mrs. HERRIN advised that they are subscribers to telephone number 582-3734, to which telephone they were subscribers all during the month of December, 1967.

Mr. HERRIN stated that he did not know whether or not any telephone calls were made to this telephone from Houston, Texas, on December 15, 1967; however, his wife, Mrs. ROBERT HERRIN, would know.

Mrs. HERRIN stated that she recalls a long distance telephone having been made from Houston, Texas, to their telephone, 582-3734, on an unrecalled date about the middle of December, 1967. She stated that this telephone call was made by ERNIE HARRELL, her grandson-in-law, who was at that time employed by Edwards Transportation Company, on a tugboat operating in the Gulf of Mexico and the Inland Waterways. Mrs. HERRIN stated that the above telephone call from ERNIE HARRELL was made to advise her that he would not be home for Christmas. She further stated that she recalls her daughter-in-law, Mrs. ROBERT HERRIN, JR., was present when this telephone call was received and that Mrs. ROBERT HERRIN, JR., also talked to ERNIE HARRELL.

On May 10, 1968, Mrs. ROBERT HERRIN, JR., U. S. Highway 49 North, advised that she was present when a long distance telephone call was received by Mrs. ROBERT HERRIN, SR., telephone 582-3734, from ERNIE HARRELL in Houston, Texas, on an unrecalled date about the middle of December, 1967, at which time she also talked to ERNIE HARRELL. Mrs. HERRIN, JR., stated she recalls that ERNIE HARRELL also talked to his wife, who was present at the time of

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the aforementioned telephone call was received from Houston, Texas, at telephone 582-3734, Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT HERRIN, SR., and Mrs. ROBERT HERRIN, JR., advised that JAMES EARL RAY and CHARLES STEIN are not known to them and no telephone calls have ever been received at telephone 582-3734, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, from either JAMES EARL RAY or CHARLES STEIN. The above persons could furnish no information which might be of assistance in locating JAMES EARL RAY.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA ROBERT P. WOMACK on May 13, 1968, to determine who and under what circumstances a call from Houston, Texas, on December 15, 1967, pay phone 453-9611, to Seminary, Mississippi, phone 722-4497, was made. It was determined that this phone number was assigned to FAIRLEY INGRAM, Ingram's Store on State Highway 590, approximately four miles west of the Covington - Jones County line.

Mrs. FAIRLEY INGRAM reported that her husband was ill. She advised after questions asked as follows:

JIM KNOTTS, a resident of their neighborhood, had for many years been employed on boats and land for Morrison's Construction Company, located at 12714 Market Street, Houston, Texas. He and his wife had been divorced for years and some of his relatives, including WILLY KNOTTS, had also worked for the same company with him.

In late November or early December, 1967, a nephew of JAMES and WILLY KNOTTS had died and a number of telephone calls were made from Texas to her phone asking that they speak with members of the family. Also, JIM KNOTTS often called and talked with her, finding out how members of his family were and to advise her if he wanted his mail forwarded to a different address. She did not know for certain what occasioned the call on December 15, 1967, but was positive it would be related to the KNOTTS family.

She stated after viewing a photograph of JAMES EARL RAY, she had never seen the person depicted thereon and did not know anyone by the name of JAMES EARL RAY.

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CARL MURPHY, JR:

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The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN S. CASTLES at Tupelo, Mississippi, on the dates indicated:

On May 13, 1968, SAM H. ALLEN, JR., Consultant, City of Tupelo, advised that he is not acquainted with ROBERT WAYNE PHILLIPS. He stated that he is acquainted with CARL MURPHY, JR., and knows that MURPHY is a bootlegger and a "hoodlum" in the Tupelo, Mississippi, area.

On May 13, 1968, MITCHELL MC WHIRTER, Officer, Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol, Tupelo, Mississippi, advised that he is acquainted with ROBERT WAYNE PHILLIPS, whom he knew as BOB PHILLIPS. He stated that he has not seen PHILLIPS for a number of months but knows that PHILLIPS formerly operated a place known as Bob's Fish House near Shannon, Mississippi, for a Mr. SLOAN. He said to his knowledge PHILLIPS never owned a place by himself, and in his opinion was not capable of operating any place on his own. He said in his opinion PHILLIPS is a "no good" individual who will work for anyone who will pay him a few dollars. He said he had never heard and has no knowledge that PHILLIPS was ever employed or associated with CARL MURPHY, JR.

On May 13, 1968, Mrs. JOAN EDWARDS, Secretary, Credit Bureau of Tupelo, Mississippi, advised SA DONALD H. GREENE that credit bureau records reveal that ROBERT WAYNE PHILLIPS, a white male, born May 5, 1935, at Belden, Mississippi, is 6 feet 1 inch tall, weight 185 pounds, is a dirty blond who has blue eyes and at one time was married to BETTY CANNON, Route 2, Shannon, Mississippi. She said at one time he had a mailing address of Box 181, Shannon, Mississippi, and his father, who is now deceased, was named HARVEY PHILLIPS.

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Mrs. EDWARDS said that records indicate that at one time PHILLIPS dealt in illegal liquor traffic and operated Bob's Fish House in 1965 and was formerly employed by a RUSSELL PATTERSON, and in 1966 was arrested for assault and battery for shooting at his wife. She said records indicate that his mother is JETTIE L. KEY, Route 1, Guntown, Miss., and that a relative is BETTY JOE MEEK, Route 2, Baldwyn, Miss.

Mrs. EDWARDS said that records indicate that PHILLIPS' former wife is currently residing in the Brewer Community of Lee Co., Miss., with her father, ERSKINE LOWERY. She also said that the last information that the credit bureau had concerning PHILLIPS was certain information that a car which was registered in his name was located abandoned on 3/10/66, in Dallas, Texas.

On 5/14/68, CARL MURPHY, JR., was interviewed by SA JOHN S. CASTLES and SA DONALD H. GREENE at his residence located on Highway 78 West, between Belden, Miss., and Sherman, Miss.

MURPHY advised that he has no information concerning the identity of the murderer of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., and has never made any comment that he knew who the killer was and has never offered anyone any amount of money to "take care of KING". MURPHY further stated that he is not acquainted with anyone by the name of JAMES EARL RAY and has never been in any jail or penitentiary with anyone by that name.

MURPHY further said that he is not now and has never been associated with any Ku Klux Klan group and has never met ROBERT SHELTON of Tuscaloosa, Ala., who he understands to be a Klan leader. He stated that he is still engaged in some illegal liquor traffic and currently operates a night club known as the Ranch House, located just off Highway 78 near Sherman, Miss.

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MURPHY said that he has many enemies due to the type business which he conducts, and he can only state that someone is trying to "put the mouth on him" since none of the questions asked him has any basis.

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RE: REVEREND JAMES M. ROACH

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The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM P. LAWLER on May 23, 1968, at Walls, Mississippi:

GLORIA VAUGHN was interviewed in an attempt to determine the identity of an unknown white man who had made the statement to the Reverend JAMES M. ROACH in the Country Boy Drop-In Restaurant to the effect "Nigger, we could kill you all just like we did MARTIN LUTHER KING."

GLORIA VAUGHN stated that their trade at the Country Boy Drop-In Restaurant consists primarily of transient individuals, and that although she does recall there were two white men sitting in back of Reverend ROACH, she does not recall ever having seen these two individuals before. VAUGHN stated that they had been drinking beer for about one hour, but she has no idea who they are or if she would recognize them were she to see them again.

GENE VAUGHN, the owner of the Country Boy Drop-In Restaurant, was interviewed in an attempt to determine the identity of an unknown white man who had made a statement to the Reverend JAMES M. ROACH to the effect "Nigger, we could kill you all just like we did MARTIN LUTHER KING."

VAUGHN reiterated that their customers consist primarily of people who are traveling either up to Memphis or to Southern Mississippi, and that he cannot recall whether a statement to the effect "Nigger, we could kill you all just like we did MARTIN LUTHER KING" had been made at all.

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or who had made it, if it had been made. VAUGHN stated that he did not recall having seen these individuals before and doubts if he would recognize them were he to see them again.

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LEON CLIFTON BLAYLOCK, JR., was advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and of the nature of the inquiry. BLAYLOCK was advised that he did not have to furnish any information, that any information furnished by him could be used against him in a court of law, and that he was entitled to consult an attorney or anyone else prior to furnishing any information, by SA JAMES F. BODMAN, JR.

BLAYLOCK, who was interviewed at the Travel Inn Motel, advised as follows:

He formerly operated the Candlelite Lounge, Highway 82 West, Winona, Mississippi, during June and July, 1967. BLAYLOCK advised that he recalls an individual by the name of J. W. ROGERS, who is from and resides in the Winona area, coming into the lounge just about every day during June and July, 1967.

BLAYLOCK stated that ROGERS, who "got drunk every day," would after getting drunk boast that he would pay \$100,000 to anyone who would kill Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BLAYLOCK stated that no one paid any serious attention to ROGERS, as ROGERS seldom had enough money to pay for his own drinks.

BLAYLOCK stated that ROGERS and his drinking became such a problem that he stopped ROGERS from coming into his place of business.

BLAYLOCK stated that he has never heard of anyone from the state of Florida offering \$100,000 to have Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING killed. He said that the

On 5/10/68 at Greenwood, Mississippi

by SA JAMES F. BODMAN, JR., & SA CHARLES W. HARVEY:JFB:mif

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only person he ever heard mention having Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING killed is J. W. ROGERS, and no one ever paid any attention to ROGERS.

The following description of BLAYLOCK was obtained through observation and interview:

Name	LEON CLIFTON BLAYLOCK, JR.
Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of Birth	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 1.2em; display: inline-block;"></div>
Place of Birth	Winona, Mississippi
Height	5' 8½"
Weight	185 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Hazel
Residence	Speedway Street, Winona, Mississippi
Employment	Salesman, Canale Company, Memphis, Tennessee
Arrest Record	Admits to no arrests

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Date 5/9/68

HENRY GRADY CARROLL was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and the nature of the inquiry. CARROLL was advised that he did not have to furnish any information, that any information furnished by him could be used against him in a court of law, and he was entitled to consult an attorney or anyone else prior to furnishing any statement.

CARROLL was interviewed at the Carroll Body Shop, North Main Extension, and advised as follows:

He stated that he has never made a statement to the effect that he was going to kill or have killed Doctor MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CARROLL advised that he "hopes the fellow who killed King is never caught." He stated that he is a segregationist and does not believe in integration in any form.

CARROLL advised that he was not involved in and has no information regarding the murder of KING.

The following description was obtained through interview and observation:

Name	HENRY GRADY CARROLL
Date of Birth	April 26, 1919
Place of Birth	Carroll County, Mississippi
Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	5 feet, 11 inches
Weight	190 pounds
Hair	Gray (balding)
Eyes	Hazel

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Occupation

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Grenada, Mississippi

Residence

2229 Pegg Street
Grenada, Mississippi

Former Occupation

Constable, Grenada County,
Grenada, Mississippi,
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CARROLL advised that his brother, OTIS CARROLL,
is married to BERNICE BROWNLOW, the sister of OAKLEY
BROWNLOW, who resides in Chicago, Illinois.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA FRANCIS G. HONAN:

Mrs. A. D. (MARY LOU) CROMEANS, Route 2, Fulton, Mississippi, age thirty-seven years old, was advised of the nature of the inquiry and the identity of the interviewing Agent. She advised that concerning a conversation between herself and Mrs. JEAN BRITT EVANS, Houston, Mississippi, that she, CROMEANS, told Mrs. EVANS that on May 6, 1968, she made a telephone call from her residence in Fulton, Mississippi, to the residence of W. C. E. JOHNSON, Old Saltillo Road, Tupelo, Mississippi, telephone number 842-7879 to ascertain if CONSTANCE LAKE EVANS was at the residence.

Mrs. CROMEANS stated that she had left a painting with EVANS, while EVANS resided at the JOHNSON residence, and she wanted to pick up the painting, however, did not want to pick it up when EVANS was there.

Mrs. CROMEANS stated that when she telephoned the residence a male answered the phone and she (Mrs. CROMEANS) asked this individual who was speaking and this individual said "STAVO" or some similar name. Mrs. CROMEANS stated that she asked this individual again who was speaking and he stated it was "STAVO" or some similar name, however, continued that he was speaking from the JOHNSONS' residence. Mrs. CROMEANS stated that she asked this individual if Mr. EVANS was there and this individual stated that EVANS had not been there in a week or two. Mrs. CROMEANS stated that she then hung up the telephone.

Mrs. CROMEANS stated that in thinking over the conversation and the names "STAVO", she stated that she had heard this name sometime in the past and after deep thinking connected this name with ERIC STARVO GALT, being

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sought in the murder of Doctor MARTIN LUTHER KING.

Mrs. CROMEANS further stated that in reference to her association with CONSTANCE LAKE EVANS, that she first met EVANS approximately May of 1967, when she took her daughter to Mr. EVANS' residence, who is approximately sixty-eight years old, and is an art teacher, for art lessons for her daughter. Mrs. CROMEANS stated that on August 16, 1967, she together with Mr. EVANS left the Tupelo, Mississippi, area together, and went to Albuquerque, New Mexico, where she sat up housekeeping with EVANS. Mrs. CROMEANS stated that she came back home to her husband on November 1, 1967, and that EVANS followed her. She stated that since that time she has seen EVANS on two occasions, however, has had no association with him.

Mrs. CROMEANS stated that approximately one month ago EVANS told her that he had inherited \$40,000 from the death of a brother of his in Memphis, Tennessee, however, Mrs. CROMEANS stated that she has never seen this \$40,000.

Mrs. CROMEANS stated that during her association with EVANS in Albuquerque, New Mexico, he described himself as a religious person and continually handed out religious pamphlets and she had noticed that in the back of these pamphlets was stamped "INTERNATIONAL BUSINESSMAN'S ASSOCIATION". Mrs. CROMEANS stated that on numerous occasions EVANS told her that he was a businessman, however, she described him as a real confidence man and "a real operator". Mrs. CROMEANS stated that she had heard that EVANS was a dope addict, however, she had no personal knowledge of that. She stated that EVANS consumed a lot of alcoholic beverages during her association with him.

Mrs. CROMEANS stated that she has read numerous articles in the newspaper concerning JAMES EARL RAY, also known as Eric Starvo Galt, and in particular mentioned one article concerning RAY making a statement in jail to the effect that if a group of businessmen were offering

one million dollars for the assassination of Doctor KING that he would be interested in this.

Mrs. CROMEANS stated that the statement EVANS made about being a businessman and also the religious pamphlets bearing the stamp "INTERNATIONAL BUSINESSMEN'S ASSOCIATION" together with her telephone call to the JOHNSON residence at which time an individual answered giving his name as STAVO or some similar name, Mrs. CROMEANS suspects that possibly JAMES EARL RAY may be hiding out at the JOHNSON residence.

At this point Mrs. CROMEANS stated that she



Mrs. CROMEANS was shown a photograph of JAMES EARL RAY and she advised that she has never seen this individual.

At the conclusion of the interview, Mrs. CROMEANS made inquiry about the \$40,000 reward being offered for information concerning the whereabouts of RAY and she wanted to know if RAY was caught whether she would receive the reward.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

DATE: 5/13/68

FROM : SA, ROBERT EDWARD LEE

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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Re memo of SA JOHN L. PUDDSTER, Jackson, 5/6/68.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

On 5/7/68, JAMES D. COX, Southern Bell Tel & Tel Co., Laurel, Miss. advised that telephone number 601-428-8829 was registered under the name of WESLEY ARNOLD, 612 Chantilly Ave, Laurel, Miss.. This phone was disconnected 12/12/67.

On 2/15/68 this number was reassigned to K. D. KAAZ, 17 Broadmoor Drive, Laurel. It was later changed to 425-2226 when Mr. KAAZ objected to getting a large number of calls for ARNOLD.

On 5/13/68, Mr. COX advised that he had determined that due to a mix-up 428-8829 was not disconnected until 12/18/67. Mr. ARNOLD now has phone number 426-2061

DETAILS:

The following investigation was conducted by SA ROBERT EDWARD LEE:

AT LAUREL, MISS:

On 5/7/68, Mrs. RUTH ROUND, Credit Bureau, advised that Mr. K. D. KAAZ, is the Manager of Schlumberger Oil Field Equipment Company, having been transferred to Laurel from Houston, Texas.

On 5/13/68, Mrs. MAMMIE SCHNEIDER, Credit Bureau, advised that Mr. WESLEY ARNOLD, 612 Chantilly Ave, has been known to the files since 1958 and is married to VIRGINIA ARNOLD. Mr. ARNOLD has been associated with the Laurel Sand Blasting Co., and the Southern Engine Company, ~~xxxx~~ 612 Chantilly.

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Manager,

On 5/13/68, Mr. K. D. KAAZ, Schlumberger Oil Field Equipment Company, advised that he does not know JAMES EARL RAY and has never received any calls from any person he does not know. He said that he was transferred to Laurel during the early part of February 1968, and his first phone was 428-8829. This number was formerly listed to WESLEY ARNOLD and the phone was ringing all times of the day and night. He had this phone changed and now has number 425-2226.

On 5/14/68, Mr. WESLEY ARNOLD, Manager, ~~KANXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Southern Engine Service, 612 Chantilly, advised that he formerly had telephone number 428-8829 in his residence (House Trailer) and 426-2061 in his place of business at 614 Chantilly. Number 428-8829 was discontinued on or about 12/12/67 but he thinks calls were received through this number until about 12/18/67.

Mr. ARNOLD related that during the period of November and December 1967 he and his wife were having trouble and she was in Houston, Texas with her brother at 8602 Rayson Street. This address is just off Interstate 10 and is in a residential and sub shopping district. He recalls that his wife called him on or about 12/17/68 from Houston and he feels that she called collect. He does not recall receiving any other calls from Houston around this date.

Mr. ARNOLD states that he does not know any JAMES EARL RAY, JOHN WILLARD, HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY LOWMYER or ERIC STARVO GALT.

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501 PM URGENT 8-6-68 MCP

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861, MIAMI 44-1854, JACKSON, 157-9586
FROM MEMPHIS 44-1987 1 P

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MURKIN.

RE MIAMI TEL TO BUREAU AUGUST SIX INSTANT.

FOR INFORMATION MIAMI, MEMPHIS AND JACKSON ARE HOLDING IN
ABEYANCE ANY ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION CONCERNING INFORMATION BEING
FURNISHED BY MARGARET CAPOMACCHIA PENDING MIAMI'S EXHAUSTIVE
INTERVIEW WITH CAPOMACCHIA. INFORMATION BEING FURNISHED TO
BUREAU BY A DISCREDITED INFORMANT AS COMING FROM A [REDACTED]
CASE WHO HAS NOT BEEN INTERVIEWED IS NOT SUFFICIENT BASIS FOR
EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION IN THIS MATTER.

MIAMI SHOULD TAKE WHATEVER ACTION NECESSARY, INCLUDING
AROUND THE CLOCK SURVEILLANCES ON KNOWN HANGOUTS, IN ORDER TO
LOCATE AND INTERVIEW CAPOMACCHIA. WHEN THIS HAS BEEN DONE, IF
IT IS THE OPINION OF YOUR OFFICE THAT HER INFORMATION WARRANTS
ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION YOU ARE REQUESTED TO THEN SET OUT LEADS
FOR SAME. AM COPIES TO ATLANTA, CHARLOTTE, MOBILE.

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CORR: PARA ONE, LINE SIX, WORD FOUR IS "NOT".

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523PM EDT 8-7-68 URGENT RGT

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) JACKSON (157-9586) AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM MIAMI (44-1854)

MURKIN

RE MIAMI TEL TO BUREAU, AUG. SIX, LAST, AND MEMPHIS
TEL TO BUREAU, AUG. SIX LAST.

MARGARET CAPOMACCHIA LOCATED HOLLYWOOD, FLA., AND INTER-
VIEWED TODAY. AT OUTSET OF INTERVIEW, CAPOMACCHIA WAS
PLEASANT, COOPERATIVE AND FRIENDLY, HOWEVER, WHEN QUESTIONED
RE ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SHE REFUSED TO
DISCUSS THE MATTER, SAYING SHE WANTED TO HEAR NOTHING
CONCERNING KING OR WHAT HAPPENDED TO HIM. ALSO DECLINED TO
FURNISH HER WHEREABOUTS ON NIGHT OF APRIL FOUR, LAST. SHE
DENIED KNOWING ANYONE BY THE NAME OF ALBERT TARRANTS, AS WELL
AS INDIVIDUALS BY THE NAMES OF HAWKINS, DUNN, HARPER AND
WILSON.

STATED SHE HAS BEEN UNDER CONSIDERABLE STRESS AND STRAIN
AND HAS CONSTANT HEADACHES SINCE DEATH OF HER DAUGHTER. IN

*all our violent
characters were checked out early
on the evening of MURKIN, Kathy Ainsworth
was also in Jackson that day & evening for
her husband, Ralph Ainsworth. There is
no basis for further investigation in that Dennis Dunn,
Joe Danny Hawkins, J.L. Harper and company were
in Jackson and accounted for shortly after the murder.*

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DISCUSSING ACTIVITIES OF HER DAUGHTER, KATHY, SHE STATED SHE WAS UNAWARE AS TO THE EXTENT KATHY WAS INVOLVED WITH INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN BOMBING MATTERS. SHE DESCRIBED HER DAUGHTER AS THE BEST FIFTH GRADE SCHOOL TEACHER IN THE UNITED STATES.

PRIOR INTERVIEWS WITH CAPOMACCHIA'S SON AND DAUGHTER IN LAW INDICATE THAT CAPOMACCHIA

IT IS NOTED THAT THE VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS IDENTIFIED BY CAPOMACCHIA WHEN CONTACTING INFORMANT, HAVE EXTENSIVE HATE TYPE BACKGROUNDS AND CAPABLE OF SERIOUS ACTS OF VIOLENCE.

MIAMI HAS NO REASON TO QUESTION THE INFORMATION FURNISHED BY INFORMANT, AS HE OBTAINED IT FROM CAPOMACCHIA. ALTHOUGH INFORMANT IS NOT BEING UTILIZED BY MIAMI, NO INFORMATION HAS EVER BEEN RECEIVED FROM HIM WHICH WOULD INDICATE THAT HE IS FURNISHING FALSE INFORMATION.

IT IS, THEREFORE, BEING LEFT TO THE DISCRETION OF THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN, WHETHER THE INFORMATION RELATIVE TO ALBERT TARRANTS WARRANTS ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION BY THE MEMPHIS AND JACKSON OFFICES.

AIRMAIL COPIES FURNISHED ATLANTA, CHARLOTTE AND MOBILE.

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1230PM URGENT 8-2-68 IDB

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861, MEMPHIS 44-1987, JACKSON, AND MOBILE
FROM MIAMI 44-1854 4P

MURKIN. CR.

RE MIAMI AIRTEL TO BUREAU, JULY FIFTEEN, LAST, AND MIAMI
AIRTEL TO BUREAU, JULY TWENTYFOUR AND TWENTYFIVE, LAST,
CAPTIONED KATHLEEN MADLYN AINSWORTH, AKA; ET AL, ATTEMPTED
BOMBING RESIDENCE OF MEYER DAVIDSON, TWO NINE ZERO FOUR
THIRTSIX ST., MERIDIAN, MISS., JUNE THIRTY, SIXTYEIGHT,
BOMBING MATTERS.

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FORMER SYMBOL INFORMANT WHO IS
NO LONGER CONTACTED BY THE MIAMI OFFICE, AND CHARACTERIZED
AS HAVING FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, AND
IN ADDITION HAS FURNISHED INFORMATION WHICH COULD NOT BE
VERIFIED OR CORROBORATED, ADVISED AS FOLLOWS TODAY:

ON JULY THIRTYONE, LAST, MARGARET CAPOMACCHIA, MOTHER
OF DECEASED, KATHLEEN AINSWORTH, CONTACTED HIM AND RELATED
THE FOLLOWING:

SHE IS UPSET AND DISTURBED WITH SIDNEY C. BARNES OF
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MOBILE, ALA., WHOSE WIFE, PAULINE, IS PRESENTLY AT THE HOME OF HER DECEASED DAUGHTER IN JACKSON, MISS.. STATED SHE TOLD

BARNES THE GUNS, PREVIOUSLY GIVEN TO FOIA(b)7 - (D) WERE THROWN IN THE OCEAN. STATED THERE IS A LOT OF DANGER IN THIS CASE, NOT FURTHER IDENTIFIED, AND SHE WANTS NOTHING TO DO WITH BARNES AND THE PEOPLE INVOLVED IN HER DAUGHTER'S DEATH.

STATED TARRANTS (THOMAS A. TARRANTS, III), HER DAUGHTER AND FOUR OTHER MEN, IDENTIFIED AS HAWKINS, DUNN, HARPER AND WILSON, ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEATH OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. STATED AUTOMOBILE IN WHICH HER DAUGHTER WAS KILLED WAS USED WITH ONE OTHER CAR BY THOSE INVOLVED. STATED THEY USED

RADIO EQUIPMENT AND KATHY HELPED IN JAMMING POLICE CALLS. STATED THEY HAD UNKNOWN COLORED MALE HELP TO "SET UP KING." SAID SHOOTING WAS FROM TREES AND BUSHES IN VICINITY OF HOTEL

AND THAT JAMES EARL RAY MAY HAVE HELPED TO PURCHASE THE GUN, BUT RAY DID NOT DO THE SHOOTING. AFTER THE SHOOTING, THEY REMAINED IN MEMPHIS, TENN., UNTIL THE FOLLOWING DAY, WHEN THEY DEPARTED FOR ATLANTA, GA. KATHY AND TARRANTS THEN PROCEEDED TO SOUTH CAROLINA, WHERE THEY REMAINED ABOUT ONE WEEK PRIOR TO GOING TO MOBILE, ALA., AND THEN TO JACKSON, MISS.

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IN FURTHER IDENTIFYING THE MEN INVOLVED, SHE SAID THEY ARE GOING TO TRIAL OR ARE CURRENTLY ON TRIAL THIS WEEK IN CONNECTION WITH THE BOMBING OF A REAL ESTATE OFFICE AND THAT THE POLICE INFORMANT IN THIS CASE REPORTEDLY RAN OFF WITH THE WIFE OF A KLANSMAN.

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ADVISED HE WAS UNABLE TO CLEARLY UNDERSTAND

THE INFORMATION FURNISHED BY CAPOMACCHIA,

AND HE HAS NO WAY OF EVALUATING THE INFORMATION, BUT IN VIEW OF THE TYPE OF INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED, IT IS REMOTELY POSSIBLE TARRANTS AND HIS ASSOCIATES IN SOME WAY MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE ASSASSINATION OF KING.

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ADVISED THAT HE WAS IN CONTACT WITH BARNES ON THE EVENING OF JULY THIRTYONE, LAST. BARNES ADVISED HE WAS LEAVING JACKSON, MISS., ON AUG. TWO, INST., AND REQUESTED

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TO JOIN HIM.

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DECLINED THE INVITATION

AND RELATED THAT BARNES LIKES TO PUSH PEOPLE INTO THINGS WITHOUT BECOMING INVOLVED HIMSELF.

MIAMI IS NOT IN A POSITION TO EVALUATE THE ABOVE INFORMATION, HOWEVER, IT IS NOTED THAT ANTHONY CAPOMACCHIA
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AND HIS WIFE, NORMA, WHO HAVE BEEN INTERVIEWED IN MIAMI,
INDICATE THAT MARGARET CAPOMACCHIA HAS A

JACKSON, THROUGH EMPLOYMENT RECORDS AND INTERVIEW
WITH RALPH AINSWORTH, HUSBAND OF KATHLEEN, ESTABLISH THE
WHEREABOUTS OF KATHLEEN AINSWORTH DURING THE PERTINENT
PERIOD DURING AND FOLLOWING THE ASSASSINATION OF KING,
IN AN EFFORT TO ESTABLISH ANY VALIDITY IN THE ABOVE
INFORMATION.

JACKSON AND MOBILE SHOULD BE ALERT TO THE ACTIVITIES
OF BARNES, WHO REPORTEDLY IS LEAVING FOR JACKSON TODAY.

AIRMAIL COPIES FURNISHED ATLANTA AND BIRMINGHAM.

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AIRTEL AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, ST. LOUIS (44-775) P
MURKIN

Re Jackson airtel to Bureau 5/15/68.

Re Alleged Offer of \$100,000 By The White Knights
of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi (WKKKK), to anyone who
kills MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Enclosed for the Memphis Office are fifteen copies
of investigative insert reflecting interview of [redacted]
[redacted] FBI Number 667 320 A by agents of the St. Louis
Office on 8/5/68.

[redacted] advised he had received no new information
concerning the alleged offer for the killing of MARTIN LUTHER
KING since interviewed by Dallas agents on 5/2/67.

[redacted] flew from Tampa, Fla., to turn himself in to
agents at St. Louis stating his decision to do this was
prompted partly by fear for his safety after having furnished
information to the FBI concerning the alleged offer mentioned
above and partly by his desire to "get things straightened
out" since he is now married and his wife is pregnant.

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FOR DIRECTOR 44-158620 JACKSON, AND MEMPHIS 44-1987

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RE MIAMI TEL TO BUREAU, AUG. TWO LAST, AND MEMPHIS
TEL TO MIAMI, AUG. FIVE, LAST.

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FORMER SYMBOL INFORMANT OF THE

MIAMI OFFICE, ADVISED TODAY AS FOLLOWS:

MARGARET CAPOMACCHIA, MOTHER OF KATHLEEN AINSWORTH,

CONTACTED HIM AND RELATED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING

THOMAS TARRANTS, III. STATED THAT AFTER ASSASSINATION OF

KING, TARRANTS PROCEEDED TO ATLANTA, GA., AND THEN TO THE

RESIDENCE OF MR. HENDERSON, WHO RESIDES NEAR TOPTON, N. C.

HENDERSON DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, THIRTY FIVE TO FORTY,

DARK HAIR, FIVE FT. TEN IN., ONE HUNDRED FIFTYFIVE LBS.,

OCCUPATION SALESMAN. TARRANTS REPORTEDLY STAYED WITH

HENDERSON FOR ONE WEEK, WHEN HENDERSON FELT TARRANTS WAS

GETTING TOO HOT AND TOLD HIM HE HAD TO LEAVE. TARRANTS

REPORTEDLY DROVE TO ATLANTA, GA., AND THEN PROCEEDED TO

MOBILE, ALA., WHERE HE REMAINED AT THE RESIDENCE OF SIDNEY

BARNES FOR A PERIOD OF TEN DAYS, PRIOR TO RETURNING TO

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MIAMI WILL INTERVIEW MRS. CAPOMACCHIA AS SOON AS SHE CAN BE LOCATED. IT IS NOTED THAT SOURCE HAS NEVER BEEN ABLE TO CONTACT CAPOMACCHIA AT HER RESIDENCE AND WHEN SHE CONTACTS SOURCE, IT IS ALWAYS UNANNOUNCED AT SOURCE'S RESIDENCE. IN ADDITION, MRS. CAPOMACCHIA'S SON AND DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, WHO RESIDE IN MIAMI, HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO CONTACT HER.

MEMPHIS AND JACKSON CONDUCT NECESSARY INVESTIGATION RE POSSIBLE INVOLVEMENT BY TARRANTS. *T. mnd*

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: JACKSON (157-9586) (P)

MURKIN. CR.

RE MIAMI TEL AUGUST TWO AND JACKSON TEL AUGUST TWO LAST.

RALPH AINSWORTH, HUSBAND OF THE DECEASED KATHLEEN MADLYN
Advised Late PM 8/3 Last that he
 AINSWORTH, AKA, RECALLED HIS WIFE CALLED HIM LATE AFTERNOON OF
 APRIL FOUR LAST REPORTING THAT THE NEWS HAD REPORTED MARTIN LUTHER
 KING HAD BEEN SHOT. LATER IN THE EVENING HE WAS WITH HIS WIFE
 AND IS POSITIVE IN HIS OWN MIND SHE HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF THIS MURDER.

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TO: DIRECTOR, (44-38861) AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: JACKSON (157-9586)

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Re Miami tel. this date.
 IMMEDIATELY AFTER MURKIN OCCURRED, THE JACKSON DIVISION
 INITIATED IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION CONCERNING WHEREABOUTS
 OF SUSPECTS WITHIN THE JACKSON DIVISION INCLUDING BURRIS
 L. DUNN, JR., JOE DANIEL HAWKINS, AND J. L. HARPER, ALL ~~KNOWN~~ *KNOWN*
~~KLANSMEN~~ *HAVING PROPENSITY FOR VIOLENCE.*
~~WHOM ARE KNOWN TO THE BUREAU.~~ INVESTIGATION THAT DATE INDICATED
 THESE INDIVIDUALS WERE IN THE CITY OF JACKSON.

ROBERT EARL WILSON, AT THAT PARTICULAR TIME WAS BEING
 SOUGHT BY HAWKINS, DUNN, AND HARPER, AS IT WAS KNOWN TO
 THEM THAT WILSON WOULD TESTIFY AGAINST THEM IN LOCAL BOMBING
 MATTERS AND FURTHER THAT WILSON HAD ELOPED WITH THE WIFE OF
 BURRIS L. DUNN, JR., AND TWO MINOR CHILDREN OF DUNN.

IT IS NOT CONCEIVABLE THAT WILSON COULD HAVE BEEN
 INVOLVED WITH THE THREE INDIVIDUALS IN ANY ACT AT THAT TIME.

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EFFORTS TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW RALPH AINSWORTH, HUSBAND OF DECEASED AINSWORTH, HAVE BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL TO DATE DUE TO FACT AINSWORTH IS ON VACATION AND IS AT THIS TIME EN ROUTE TO THE CITY OF JACKSON FROM SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA.

EFFORTS ARE CONTINUING TO ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS OF DECEASED AINSWORTH AT TIME MURKIN OCCURRED THROUGH BOUTWELL AND RALPH AINSWORTH AND Bureau will be advised

MAIL COPIES FURNISHED MOBILE AND MIAMI.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM JACKSON (157-9586)

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RE MIAMI TEL THIS DATE.

IMMEDIATELY AFTER MURKIN OCCURRED, THE JACKSON DIVISION
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OF SUSPECTS WITHIN THE JACKSON DIVISION INCLUDING BURRIS
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IT IS NOT CONCEIVABLE THAT WILSON COULD HAVE BEEN
INVOLVED WITH THE THREE INDIVIDUALS IN ANY CITY ACT AT THAT TIME.

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MAIL COPIES FURNISHED MOBILE AND MIAMI.

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)

MURKIN - COST DATA

Re Jackson letter dated 7/9/68.

Cost data for the Jackson Division from 7/1/68 to 7/31/68, is as follows:

1. A. Special Agents:

Regular Man Hours:	31 (hours)
Overtime	2 (hours)
- B. Clerical Employees

Regular Man Hours	3 (hours)
Overtime	None
2. Total mileage (estimated) 120 (Miles)
3. Unusual or out-of-the-ordinary expenses None
4. Peak Number of Special Agents Working on Case at Anytime During the Month: 4

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Via _____

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

MURKIN

Re Kansas City letter to the Bureau 7/24/68 and Atlanta teletype to the Bureau, Interview in County Jail, Dalton, Georgia, 7/3/68.

Enclosed herewith for Chicago is one copy of each referenced communication.

For the additional information of Chicago, it has been determined the houseboat capable of travel on the Mississippi River was at one time owned by one CHARLES WILLIE, now deceased, a well-respected and wealthy plantation owner of Wabbaseka, Arkansas. One A. D. CARTWRIGHT, JR., owner of the Cartwright Nursery Company, Collierville, Tennessee, obtained possession of the houseboat in February, 1966. The results of interview with CARTWRIGHT are not known to Jackson.

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The following lead will be given expeditious attention, UACB:

LEAD:

CHICAGO

AT ILLINOIS STATE PENITENTIARY. Will, if JAMES ROBERT WILLETT is still incarcerated at Illinois State Penitentiary, determine if he is the individual referred to by RAYMOND CURTIS as "Mississippi," and will thereafter conduct exhaustive interview concerning the allegations made by RAYMOND CURTIS.

Will furnish results of the interview to the Bureau by report or LHM.

If WILLETT is no longer incarcerated at the Illinois State Penitentiary, will set out such leads as are necessary to locate and interview him, as above.

UACB, interview of DONALD ROY WILLETT and MILTON LAWRENCE WILLETT, the other inmates of the Missouri State Penitentiary by the name of WILLETT, who were incarcerated subsequent to 1960, will not be conducted, as no information was contained in the Missouri State Penitentiary Records indicating that these individuals have ever resided in, or had contacts in, the state of Mississippi.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
 FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673) (P)
 SUBJECT: MURKIN
 (OO: Memphis)

Re Memphis airtel to Bureau, 7/13/68, and
 Atlanta teletype, 7/3/68.

Enclosed to the Bureau are four copies of a LHM,
 and to Memphis two copies of the LHM, an interview with
 Mrs. NELL BURNETT, Monroe, La.

Mrs. NELL BURNETT, formerly Mrs. CHARLES C. WILLEY and wife of the late CHARLES C. WILLEY of Altheimer, Ark., was interviewed at her temporary residence, Apartment 3, Layton Castle, 1133 South Grand St., Monroe, La., on 7/22/68, and she stated that she did not know RAYMOND CURTIS, now an inmate of Whitfield County Jail, Dalton, Ga., and that to the best of her knowledge, her late husband did not know such a person. She stated that she was nearly always with her late husband when he was on their boat, and she felt sure that he did not know such a person as RAYMOND CURTIS. Mrs. BURNETT stated that her late husband, CHARLES C. WILLEY, died three years ago, and in January, 1966, she sold the boat to Cartwright Nurseries, Collierville, Tenn. Mrs. BURNETT had never heard of JAMES EARL RAY prior to the recent publicity connecting him with the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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 1-Jackson (157-9586) (Info.)
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MURKIN

Re Jackson airtel to Director, 7/11/68.

On 7/22/68, U. S. Commissioner W. C. SHELEY, Jefferson City, Missouri, advised SA ROWEN B. AYERS he had dismissed the complaint on JAMES EARL RAY on that date.

The following investigation was conducted by IC WILLIAM C. MC DONALD:

At Jefferson City, Missouri:

On 7/18/68, Mr. HARRY LAUF, Records Officer, Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP), furnished the following information on inmates with the last name of WILLETT received at the MSP subsequent to 1960:

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DONALD ROY WILLETT was received at the MSP 6/11/63, from St. Louis City to serve a 3 1/2 year sentence on charge of Burglary 2nd Degree and one prior. He was assigned MSP # 06915. This inmate was released to a detainer in favor of Sheriff, St. Charles County, Mo. on 3/1/65. Relatives listed are:

Brother

Mr. ALVIN WILLETT, 4212 Iowa St. Louis, Missouri;

Sister

CATHERINE MILTON, 2345 W. 23rd, Chicago, Illinois;

Sister

VIRGINIA O'NEAL, 1708 Doris, Cahokia, Illinois;

Sister

BETTY KALK, 2111 Huntington, St. Louis, Missouri;

Sister

EILEEN OHLENDORF, 3859A Wyoming, St. Louis, Missouri;

Sister

MARY ELLEN WILLETT, 4621 Oregon, St. Louis, Missouri;

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2 - Jackson (157-9586)(RM)

2 - Memphis (RM)

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Father H. WILLETT, 4621 Oregon, St.
Louis, Missouri;
Mother LORRAINE WILLETT, same address.

He is described as a WM, [REDACTED], at St. Louis, Missouri, height 5'8", weight 142, hair brown, eyes gray, build slender, complexion medium, Social Security No. [REDACTED] FBI #852 311 C, tattoo of a needle inner right forearm.

JAMES WILLETT (TN JAMES ROBERT WILLETT), aka BILL WILLETT, was held at the MSP 11/14/63, to serve a two year sentence on charge of escape, in Cole County, Mo. He had previously been received at the MSP, 12/1/60, from Dunklin County to serve a four year sentence on charge of Forgery. He was assigned MSP #01787. Records reflect WILLETT escaped from the Church Farm, MSP 1/13/62. He was apprehended and returned to the MSP, 1/15/62, to complete the original sentence.

This file reflects BILL WILLETT served a two year sentence in the Mississippi State Penitentiary in 1956.

The following information was obtained from an inter-office communication dated 9/10/62, to Director of Classification, MSP, from LEROY H. ROOK, M.S. Clinical Psychologist:

"In response to your IOC of September 6, 1962, the above named inmate was called to the psychiatric service on September 10, 1962 for interview and evaluation. The subject has just completed a three months tour on E-3 for becoming insolent and abusive to Lt. Williams. [REDACTED]

KC 44-760

[REDACTED]

At the present time he states that he would take any job, but that he would like especially to work in the chair shop because he has had some experience on the outside working for his carpenter father-in-law as a carpenter's helper on inside cabinet work.

"When interviewed on this date the subject was in about as good a condition as we expect to ever see him in. It is recommended that he be assigned to work commensurate with his abilities and according to what is available."

The following was taken from Pre-Parole Progress Report dated November 8, 1961 by CLYDE CARRIOTT:

"Conduct: One conduct violation reported for creating a disturbance, refusing orders, and writing obscenities on a test paper. For this he had his Yard and Show privileges denied for one month. He was reprimanded and released for Tatooing.

"Work: 12-29-60, Assigned to School. Work and training reports rate subject variously as good, poor, and fair. One report shows him to be considerate. The third report shows him as shirking his work, not doing what he was expected to do. His last report rates him good and states that he did average work. Subject states that he was not interested in school and therefore did not complete requirements for grade school. 8-4-61, Assigned to state at his request.

"Helath: Normal.

"Military: None.

"Marital: Subject states that he was married in July, 1958, and has been separated from his wife but no divorce has been obtained. His wife is now eighteen, and was only fourteen years of age at the time of their marriage. One boy was born to this union. the baby is now with the wife's mother. The wife is working and the mother is caring for the child. The wife is also staying with the mother.

"FAMILY AND PERSONAL RELATIONS

"Subject states that he corresponds every week with his mother, Bertha Willet, and occasionally with his sister, Lois Boyd. He writes frequently to his wife, Elizabeth, and claims to have received no visits. Subject was reared in poor financial circumstances in Mississippi and Missouri. His father died in 1939 and had worked as a farmer.

"Subject was one of six children. He states that he lived alternately with his family in Mississippi and his half-brother, Frank, in Kennett, Missouri. His brother Paul is a farmer in Mississippi. His brother Charles, who had been a farmer in Kennett, Missouri, died in 1957. His half-brother, Frank Smithy, is a farmer in Kennett, Missouri, and his half-brother, David, is said to be Chief-of-police of a town in Ohio. None of the subject's family is said to have been in difficulty with the authorities. Subject claims he got along well with all members of his family, however, he apparently lived a rather unsupervised life, living at times with various members of his family.

"POST-RELEASE PLANS

Subject has no desire to return to Kennett, Missouri, because of his trouble with the authorities. He is interested in obtaining work through the Dismas Clark Foundation. He would live with his wife if she would return to him, but he does not expect her to leave her mother in Kennett.

"SUMMARY

"James Willett, a twenty-six year old inmate, will have served one year of a four year sentence for Uttering. Subject admits having served a sentence in Mississippi State Prison. However, no verified information has been received concerning this, and FBI record does not show any previous record.

"Subject states that he was released from Mississippi State Prison in May, 1958. He married a fourteen year old girl and lived in Kennett, Missouri. He states that he had considerable difficulty with his in-laws and that custody of his son had been given to his wife's mother. He stated that he had been arrested for disturbing the peace because his mother-in-law did not let him see his son and he had forced his way into the home. Because of his difficulty he forged a check in order to have money-to leave town.

"Subject apparently has lived a rather unstable and unsettled life and has been rather careless and irresponsible. It is not evident that he has had any change of attitude in this regard. He sees little value in education and has little ambition. Institutionally his record has been marginal, however, it would not prohibit further parole consideration."

Records reflect WILLETT was discharged from the MSP 3/14/65.

A letter in WILLETT's file indicated that he was incarcerated in the Illinois State Penitentiary on 5/2/67.

WILLETT is described as a WM, born [redacted] at Huntsville, Alabama, height 5'9", weight 135, hair brown, eyes brown, build slender, complexion medium, occupation farmer, Social Security No. [redacted] FBI # 692 571 E, tattoos - snake outer right forearm; eagle center of chest; numerous other tattoos on both arms.

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Relatives listed are:

Mother	BERTHA WILLETT, Route 1, Box 64, Marks, Mississippi or 436 Singapore, Carpentersville, Illinois;
Wife	ELIZABETH WILLETT, 912 Anthony St., Kennett, Missouri;
Sister	MARGARET RATCLIFF, Elygen, Ill.;
Sister	LOIS BOYD, Route 1, Box 64, Marks, Mississippi
Brother	FRANK WILLETT, General Delivery, Dearing, Missouri.

MILTON LAWRENCE WILLETT, MSP # 09993, was received from Jackson County, Mo., to serve a two year sentence on charge of Forgery. He was paroled to Kansas on 2/23/65, and given a final discharge on 11/28/65.

He is described as a WM, born 6/19/33, at Osborne, Kansas, height 5'6", weight 114, hair brown, eyes hazel, build small, complexion medium, occupation clerical, FBI # 146 931 B.

His wife is listed as MARY K. WILLETT, 607 West 34th Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

There is no indication that this individual was ever in Mississippi.

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA PETER H. CROOKS at Moss Point, Mississippi, on
May 28, 1968:

HATTIE MORRISSETTE, 1360 Winona Drive, Moss Point,
Mississippi, advised the interviewing Agent that her telephone
number is 475-7722. She advised that on the Sunday before
Christmas weekend, December, 1967, she had received a
telephone call from San Antonio, Texas, from her brother-
in-law, MARVIN MORRISSETTE.

It is noted that HATTIE MORRISSETTE is a Negro
female.

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA PETER H. CROOKS at Pascagoula, Mississippi, on May 28,
1968:

Mrs. BLANCH GIBBONS, 242 Carver Village,
Pascagoula, Mississippi, was interviewed at her place of
employment, Head Start Program, Baptist Church, Convent
Street, Pascagoula, Mississippi, and advised the interviewing
Agent that her telephone number is 762-3813. She advised
that she occasionally receives telephone calls from the
San Antonio, Texas, area from MARVIN MORRISSETTE. She
stated that she cannot recall precisely, but believed
that she did hear from MARVIN MORRISSETTE sometime in
December, 1967, prior to Christmas.

It is noted that Mrs. BLANCH GIBBONS is a Negro
female.

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Date 5/16/68

ERNEST J. ETHERIDGE, Owner, Etheridge Used Cars, Highway 51 South, McComb, Mississippi, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent, who also advised him that he did not have to furnish any information, that any information he did furnish could be used in a court of law and that he could contact an attorney or anyone else at any time.

Mr. ETHERIDGE advised that he does not know anyone in the vicinity of Orange, Texas. He advised that according to his records, on December 7, 1967, he took in as a trade one 1957 Plymouth from one HOWARD THOMAS HALLOWY of Jackson, Mississippi. HALLOWY did not give a local address in Jackson, Mississippi, but advised that he was a driver working out of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and was having difficulty with his car and wanted to trade for a 1959 Rambler station wagon owned by ETHERIDGE.

Some two or three weeks later, Mr. ETHERIDGE received a long distance telephone call from HALLOWY asking him to get a license plate receipt for the 1959 Rambler so that he could sell it in Louisiana. Mr. ETHERIDGE advised he got the receipt in the County Court House and a day or two later HALLOWY came by his used car lot and he gave it to him.

Mr. ETHERIDGE described this individual as being about twenty-eight years of age, about five feet eight inches, and weighing one hundred sixty pounds. He advised he had black hair and a fair to medium complexion. He could recall nothing further about him. He was alone on both occasions.

Mr. ETHERIDGE advised that this is the only

On 5/15/68 at McComb, Mississippi File # Jackson 157-9586 -594
by SA REESIE L. TIMMONS/wgj Date dictated 5/15/68

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occasion he has received any long distance telephone call from any place in the past few months at his used car lot, telephone 684-6794.

7/22/68

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, LITTLE ROCK (157-1215) (P)
RE: MURKIN

Re Atlanta teletype, 7/3/68; Jackson airtel, 7/5/68; and, Little Rock airtel, 7/11/68.

Re: ~~RAYMOND CURTIS,~~
INTERVIEW IN COUNTY JAIL
AT DALTON, GEORGIA

On July 21, 1968, Mr. DUKE C. ALLISON, JR., Assistant Trust Officer, National Bank of Commerce, Pine Bluff, Arkansas, telephonically contacted SA GEORGE A. BARRON, JR. at Pine Bluff, advising he had received a telephone call from Mrs. J. BURNETT from New Iberia, Louisiana. Mrs. BURNETT told Mr. ALLISON she understood the FBI desired to talk with her and she could be reached at that time at New Iberia, Louisiana, telephone 387-0214. Mr. ALLISON told Mrs. BURNETT that as he was personally acquainted with SA GEORGE A. BARRON, JR. and the fact that Mrs. BURNETT was also acquainted with SA BARRON, he would attempt to reach SA BARRON and have SA BARRON telephone Mrs. BURNETT.

On July 21, 1968, SA GEORGE A. BARRON, JR., from Pine Bluff, Arkansas, Resident Agency, telephonically contacted Mrs. J. BURNETT at telephone number 387-0214, New Iberia, Louisiana. Mrs. BURNETT stated she had heard through her cousin, JIM RHODES, that the FBI wanted to talk with her and that was why she was trying to contact Agent BARRON. She furnished the following information:

- 3 - Bureau
 - 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
 - ② - Jackson (157-9586)
 - 1 - New Orleans (Info.)
 - 2 - Little Rock
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She and her former husband, CHARLES WILLIE, owned a houseboat known as the "Well Willie." After her former husband's death, she sold this houseboat to a Mr. CARTWRIGHT, owner and operator of Cartwright Nursery Company near Memphis, Tennessee, and delivered the boat to him about February 1966. She was not acquainted with anyone named RAYMOND CURTIS or JAMES EARL RAY. She stated Mr. ALLISON could furnish the name and address of the party to whom she sold the boat.

On July 22, 1968, Mr. DUKE C. ALLISON, JR., Assistant Trust Officer, National Bank of Commerce, furnished SA GEORGE A. BARRON, JR. the following information:

Mrs. BURNETT sold the houseboat "Well Willie" to A. D. CARTWRIGHT, JR., owner of Cartwright Nursery Company, Collierville, Tennessee, and delivered the boat approximately February 3, 1966. Mr. CARTWRIGHT re-named the boat "The Ponderosa." The boat is believed to be presently docked out of Memphis, Tennessee.

LEADS:

MEMPHIS:

AT COLLIERVILLE, TENNESSEE:

Will locate Mr. A. D. CARTWRIGHT, JR. in order to substantiate information or to disprove information set out in Atlanta teletype of July 3, 1968.

NEW ORLEANS discontinue efforts to locate Mrs. J. BURNETT.

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Date: 7/16/68

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TO: ALL SACs

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Bureau airtel to Memphis, 7/9/68.

The Bureau has requested that all divisions continue to submit monthly cost data until further notice.

In view of the above, all divisions are requested to comply with the Bureau's instructions, including offices who have negative cost data to report.

2 - ALL OFFICES

2 - Memphis

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-33861)
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN 157-9586-586

Enclosed for the Bureau and listed offices are copies of an LHM concerning investigation occasioned by information furnished by RAYMOND CURTIS, prisoner in the Whitfield County Jail, Dalton, Georgia.

Little Rock and New Orleans should continue efforts to locate and interview Mrs. NELL WILLIE, the widow of Mr. CHARLES WILLIE, now married to Mr. J. BURNETT, of Monroe, Louisiana. The results of your investigation in this regard should be furnished to the Bureau by LHM.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Memphis, Tennessee
July 13, 1968

**RE: JAMES EARL RAY;
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM;
CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY;
UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID CONFINEMENT -
ROBBERY**

On July 8, 1968, Mr. J. W. Crosier, Manager, Memphis Yacht Club, Memphis, Tennessee, advised that the Nell Willey is a 55-foot, steel-hull, diesel-powered house boat that is owned by Mr. A. D. Cartwright, Jr., the owner of Cartwright Nurseries, Collierville, Tennessee. Mr. Crosier stated the Nell Willey was purchased by Mr. Cartwright several years ago, and that prior to being owned by Mr. Cartwright, this boat was docked at Greenville, Mississippi.

On July 12, 1968, Mr. Marion Looney, Secretary, Cartwright Nurseries, Collierville, Tennessee, advised that Mr. A. D. Cartwright, Jr., is out of the city and unavailable for interview. Mr. Looney said that Mr. Cartwright purchased the Nell Willey from Mrs. C. C. Willey, Altimer, Arkansas, about three years ago, and at the time of purchase this boat was docked at Monroe, Louisiana. Mr. Looney said that for the past three years this boat has been docked at the Memphis Yacht Club and is used only to entertain customers. He said there is no regular crew and that the boat is operated by Mr. Cartwright and his sons. He also stated that this boat seldom goes more than 10 miles in either direction from the Memphis Yacht Club and has not been used for lengthy trips on the Mississippi River.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

DATE: 7/12/68

FROM : SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)(P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Milwaukee airtel to Bureau dated 6/19/68.

AT GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI

The following investigation was conducted by
SA DAVID P. HURLEY on 6/10/68.

DUDLEY RAMON, Identification Clerk, Gulfport
Police Department, advised they have the following
identification record for DELBERT RAYMOND HEEDERIK, who
was described as a white male, born 7/12/15:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
7/29/64	Drunk and Vagrancy	\$15.00 fine on drunk charge and Vagrancy Nol Processed
2/14/66	Operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, test showed 18% alcohol	Charge reduced to reckless driving and fined \$110.00
6/21/67	Improper license	Charge dismissed

Mr. MIKE OBERLIE, son of the owner of Oberlie's
Radio and TV Company, Pass Road, advised he is personally
acquainted with DELBERT HEEDERIK who, according to their
records, was employed by them from November, 1966, until
September, 1967. He was a good repair technician; however,
he was an alcoholic and when they were rushed and working
fast, he could not stand the pressure and would become shaky
and start drinking. He said the reason they tolerated DELBERT

- 2 - Bureau (44-38861)
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- 1 - Milwaukee (44-388)(Info)
- ② - Jackson (157-9586)
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HEEDERIK as long as they did was the fact that his father felt sorry for him. He said that one day he did not show up for work and that was the last they ever saw him. They received information from some source that he was deceased.

Mr. OBERLIE advised that he would be skeptical of any information furnished by HEEDERIK and would not consider him to be a reliable individual because of his use of alcoholic beverages.

Mrs. EVIE HOLDER, owner and manager of Holder's Hotel, 1801 22nd Avenue, advised she is personally acquainted with DELBERT HEEDERIK and he rented the front room on the second floor on the southeast corner, which would be Room 201, from them for a number of months. Since he was there for a number of months, she was unable to verify the exact dates of arrival or departure but did locate records showing that he was a guest in the hotel as of 4/26/67. She recalled that he came to them from Pass Christian, Mississippi, and he was later evicted by them. His eviction was the result of his drinking, which they do not tolerate in the hotel and the fact that he claimed he could not sleep and would play his radio and records all hours of the night. He was not the type guest they like to have in the hotel. She added that she could not state if any information furnished by him would be reliable or not but she would be inclined not to believe him and it would depend on his condition at the time he furnished the information, and whether he had been drinking.

Mrs. HOLDER further advised that she had located records showing that RICHARD KARR occupied Room 205 in the hotel as of 5/9/67. This room would have been two rooms down the hall from HEEDERIK's room.

She recalled that KARR was living at the hotel the same time as HEEDERIK and that they were also friendly with one another and would visit in each other's room.

Complaints were received from other guests as to their misconduct. She further recalled that RICHARD KARR played a guitar during the time that he lived at the hotel. She had no information as to KARR's residence or employment at this time but did recall that he was originally from Beaumont, Mississippi, as that is her home town also. She said she did not know him or his parents during the time she lived in Beaumont, but during conversation with her he mentioned that he was from Beaumont and this fact stuck in her mind.

Inasmuch as RICHARD KARR's current whereabouts is not known at this time and since HEEDERIK's identification of JAMES EARL RAY was based upon a brief meeting with an unknown individual who did not identify himself approximately one year before the photograph of JAMES EARL RAY appeared in the paper, no further efforts are being made by the Jackson Division to locate KARR and attempt to identify the person with KARR in HEEDERIK's room, UACB. The fact that HEEDERIK was at the time an alcoholic and acquaintances of his at that time did not consider him reliable is of significance in evaluating his information.

One copy of this communication is being furnished the Milwaukee Division for their information since it is possible they may have further contacts with DELBERT HEEDERIK.

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
 FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)
 SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Bureau airtel, dated 7/5/68, and Jackson airtel to the Bureau, dated 7/5/68.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM.

Enclosed herewith for Kansas City are two copies each of the following:

An LHM

Atlanta teletype to Bureau and Jackson, 7/3/68

Jackson airtel to Bureau, 7/5/68

Bureau airtel to Jackson, 7/5/68.

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- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 11) (RM)
- 2 - Kansas City (Enc. 8) (RM)
- 1 - Little Rock (Enc. 1) (Info) (RM)
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ADMINISTRATIVE:

UACB, additional inquiry is not being made in regard to information obtained from the Vicksburg, Miss., Credit Bureau, and the Vicksburg Police Department, concerning individuals who have the last name of WILLETT, as no information was contained in the file indicating that these individuals are now or were connected with Mississippi River Transportation, either by profession or for entertainment.

LEADS (UACB):

KANSAS CITY DIVISION

AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI

1. Will review the records of the Missouri State Penitentiary to determine if an inmate by the name of (FNU) WILLETT, aka Mississippi, from Vicksburg, Miss., was incarcerated at the Penitentiary sometime following the death of JOHN F. KENNEDY.
2. Should a record of (FNU) WILLETT be located, will obtain complete background information and set out leads to have this individual interviewed concerning the allegations made by RAYMOND CURTIS.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Jackson, Mississippi 39205

July 11, 1968

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

JAMES EARL RAY;
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. -
VICTIM

Reference Raymond Curtis interview in County
Jail, at Dalton, Georgia.

On July 5, 1968, the current telephone directory
and the current city directory were examined. No listings
were found in either directory under the name of Willett.

Chief of Police Marion Brown, Vicksburg,
Mississippi, Police Department, advised on July 5, 1968,
that he did not know anyone in the Vicksburg, Mississippi,
vicinity by the name of Willett. He did note that he has
occasionally seen trucks pulling heavy equipment for oil
riggings passing through Vicksburg containing the name of
W. O. (Red) Willett painted on the side of the trucks. The
headquarters of this organization is shown at an unrecalled
location in the State of Louisiana.

Detective Captain Roy Redditt, Vicksburg Police
Department, was unable to furnish any additional information
concerning a (First Name Unknown) Willett in the Vicksburg,
Mississippi, area.

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- 1 - Little Rock (RM)
- 1 - Memphis (RM)
- 2 - Jackson (157-9586)

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JAMES EARL RAY;
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. -
VICTIM

John Edwards, Identification Bureau, Vicksburg Police Department, advised on July 5, 1968, that his records indicate one A. M. Willett, a white male, age 40, of Tallulah, Louisiana, was arrested on November 24, 1952, on a charge of drunk driving. He was fined \$50. The file contains no additional information concerning this arrest.

John Edwards also indicated that his files reveal that one R. D. Willette, a white male, age 35, of the Circle Lake Apartments, Vicksburg, Mississippi, was arrested on November 10, 1952, on a charge of drunk driving and that he was fined \$50. No other information was contained in the record concerning this arrest.

Sheriff Paul Barrett, Warren County Sheriff's Office, advised that his records concerning prior arrests are incomplete, but that he does not recall an individual from this area by the name of Willett.

On July 5, 1968, Mrs. Edna Cole, Manager, Credit Bureau of Vicksburg, Emmich Building, Vicksburg, Mississippi, advised that her records contained the following information:

A. H. Willett, Jr., has been known to the Credit Bureau since March, 1959. This individual resides at 116 South Cedars Street, Tallulah, Louisiana. He previously resided at 700 LaSalle Street, Tallulah, Louisiana. As of March, 1959, he was employed as a Sales Manager by the Tallulah Motor Company. His credit record has been satisfactory.

Mrs. Cole stated the file indicates August H. Willett, III, has been known to the file since February, 1967. He resides at 100 North Lincoln Street, Tallulah, Louisiana, receiving mail at Post Office Box 221. He is

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employed as an automobile salesman by the Lamar T. Loe Motor Company, Tallulah, Louisiana. His date of birth is given as January 17, 1941. He is single, and is renting at his residence. He has been in the United States Army Reserve, his military service expiring on March 1, 1967. The file indicates his father is August H. Willett, Jr., also an employee of the Lamar T. Loe Motor Company. An uncle is shown as Adrian Willett, Tallulah, Louisiana. A credit report was prepared for "Phillips," Kansas City, Missouri, on February 11, 1967. His credit has been satisfactory.

An unsatisfactory account, a repossession, was reported by Southern Trailer Distributors, Vicksburg, Mississippi, Highway 61, South, on May 26, 1967, for one Franklin Willett, Beldon, Mississippi.

The files of the Credit Bureau contained, for reference purposes, the name J. O. Willett Pipeline Company, Monroe, Louisiana. The company is shown as being organized in September, 1959, and its President as L. W. Bobbs.

Paul J. Dennis, Vice-President, Vicksburg Mid River Service, Incorporated, advised on July 5, 1968, that (First Name Unknown) Willett owned a houseboat known as the "Nell Willie," a diesel-powered ship capable of travel on the Mississippi. (First Name Unknown) Willett was described as an elderly man who was crippled and used a cane. He and his wife, whose name is believed to be Nell, took vacation trips on his houseboat approximately twice a year, securing the services of a Mississippi River pilot to operate the boat for them. (First Name Unknown) Willett is believed to have been a resident of the State of Arkansas and to have docked his houseboat at the Greenville, Mississippi, Yacht Club.

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Mr. Dennis advised on July 9, 1968, that he does not know any individual in the vicinity of Vicksburg, Mississippi, who is known as "Mississippi." He stated that he had made inquiry among his employees and other individuals who are familiar with the people who frequent the Vicksburg waterfront and those who travel on the Mississippi River, and that he was unable to find anyone having knowledge of an individual known as "Mississippi."

John B. Sanders, Boat Captain of the Sprague, advised that he is familiar with most of the individuals who frequent the Vicksburg waterfront. He stated he does not know of any person in this area who has the nickname "Mississippi."

Willie Smith, a Negro male employee of the Greenville, Mississippi, Yacht Club, advised on July 5, 1968, that the correct name of the houseboat is the "Nell Willis" and that it was owned by a (First Name Unknown) Willis, who died about two or three years ago. Nell Willis, wife of (First Name Unknown) Willis, is still living and residing in or around Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Following the death of Mr. Willis, the houseboat was sold to Sonny (Last Name Unknown), a member of the Memphis, Tennessee, Yacht Club, who is believed to be a Mississippi River pilot.

Willie Smith advised that Mr. Willis was always considerate of Negroes and gave no indication of anti-Negro sentiments.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, LITTLE ROCK (157-1215) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Atlanta teletype, 7/3/68; Jackson airtel to Bureau, 7/5/68.

RE: RAYMOND CURTIS
INTERVIEW IN COUNTY JAIL
AT DALTON, GEORGIA

Enclosed herewith for New Orleans Office is a copy of re Atlanta teletype, 7/3/68, and Jackson airtel to Bureau, 7/5/68.

On 7/9/68, Mr. T. C. BARNETT, Postmaster, Altheimer, Arkansas, furnished SA GEORGE A. BARNON, JR., the following information:

Mr. CHARLES WILLIE was a well-respected, well-known, wealthy plantation owner who formerly owned and operated a plantation in the area of Wabbascka and Altheimer, Arkansas. Mr. WILLIE's home and main plantation is located near Wabbascka and had a mailing address of Wabbascka, Arkansas. Mr. CHARLES WILLIE was formerly President of the Altheimer First National Bank. Mr. WILLIE died approximately three years ago. Mrs. CHARLES WILLIE was named WILL and they owned a houseboat which Mr. BARNETT believes was known as "Hell Willie" and which houseboat

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was kept somewhere on the Mississippi River. Mr. BARNETT believed the boat possibly was docked in the area of Greenville, Mississippi.

MILL WILLIE, widow of Mr. CHARLES WILLIE, married J. BURNETT of Monroe, Louisiana, and is now known as Mrs. J. BURNETT. Mrs. MILL BURNETT and Mr. J. BURNETT spend the majority of their time in the area of Monroe, Louisiana, but also reside some on the bayou farm at Wabbasaka, Arkansas, when they are in this area. Mr. J. BURNETT is believed to have been in the real estate business in Monroe, Louisiana. Mrs. MILL BURNETT and Mr. BURNETT are not in the area of Altheimer and Wabbasaka, Arkansas, at this time.

Mr. H. J. CANNON, Cashier-Vice President, First National Bank of Altheimer, advised SA GEORGE A. BARRON, JR., on 7/9/68 that Mr. CHARLES WILLIE was a well-respected plantation owner and was formerly President of the Altheimer First National Bank, Altheimer, Arkansas, and has now been deceased about three years. He verified the information that Mr. CHARLES WILLIE's widow, MILL, had married Mr. J. BURNETT of Monroe, Louisiana, and that they spent a large amount of their time in Monroe. He advised that the BURNETTS are not in the Altheimer-Wabbasaka area and he did not know when they would return to this area.

Mr. JOHN HENRY JOHNSON, Wabbasaka, Arkansas, furnished the following information to SA BARRON on 7/9/68:

He checks on and takes care of the house and grounds at the bayou farm, Wabbasaka, Arkansas, for Mrs. J. BURNETT. Mrs. J. BURNETT and her husband are presently on a trip in Georgia and the Carolinas, and Mr. JOHNSON has no idea as to when they may return. He advised they may return to Monroe, Louisiana, before returning to Wabbasaka, Arkansas. Mr. and Mrs. J. BURNETT reside as much in Monroe, Louisiana, as they do in Wabbasaka, Arkansas. Mr. JOHNSON furnished the telephone

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number 387-0214, Area Code 318, as the telephone number in Monroe, Louisiana, where he reached Mr. and Mrs. J. BURNETT when they are in Monroe, Louisiana. He further advised that Mrs. J. BURNETT had a cousin, JIM RHODES, and that JIM RHODES possibly could furnish information as to when Mr. and Mrs. BURNETT would be returning to either Monroe or Wabashka and could furnish information as how Mrs. BURNETT could be contacted. JIM RHODES's telephone number is Monroe telephone number 325-0429.

LEADS:

NEW ORLEANS DIVISION

1. At Monroe, Louisiana. Will contact Mr. JIM RHODES, telephone 325-0429, a cousin of Mrs. J. BURNETT (NEEL BURNETT, former widow of Mr. CHARLES WILLIE), and determine when Mrs. J. BURNETT will be returning either to Monroe, Louisiana, or Wabashka, Arkansas, and at which location she will first be available for interview by an FBI Agent.

2. Will attempt to locate Mrs. J. BURNETT through Monroe, Louisiana, telephone number 387-0214, and interview her in accordance with lead set forth in referenced Jackson teletype to Director, 7/5/68, to substantiate information set out in Atlanta teletype to Director and Jackson of 7/3/68.

If Mrs. J. BURNETT will not be available for interview at Monroe, Louisiana, will so advise Little Rock when Mrs. BURNETT is expected to be in Wabashka, Arkansas.

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To: SACs, Memphis
Little Rock

From: Director, FBI

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ReJNairtel dated 7-5-68.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386)

SUBJECT: MURKIN⁰

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Re Atlanta tel 7/3/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 10 copies of LHM suitable for dissemination. Two copies each are being submitted to Memphis and Jackson.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Atlanta, Georgia
July 5, 1968

JAMES EARL RAY;
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM
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Handwritten signature
~~Raymond Curtis~~ submitted a letter to Mr. Charles L. Sanders, Ebony Magazine, which letter is as follows:

"Mr. Charles L. Sanders

"Dear Mr. Sanders:

"I thank you for your answer to my letter. I think that details I give you in this letter will be of help to you.

"Well, Sir, I have written a story. No one but myself has read it but me. At this time I know that it will have to be re-wrote for I am not a writing it as bad as it is.

"It all about the crime I did and about a crime I did in 1954 with James Earl Ray and about the 13 years of prison pal and everything we talk about. About thing and about James Earl Ray wanted the job of killing Martin Luther King, Jr. We talk of killing King for three years. And we talked to the man from Mississippi that knew all about the KK businessman association that was to put up the money to kill King. I also know the men from Mississippi.

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"In that three year we made maps just had to find the right place to kill King. Well I have made the maps over myself. They are with the story also.

"And just where we would go after we killed King so yes when we talk about it I was to be in on it. But I was not. The story has it all in it. All the big thing and the little one also. And what Ray like and what he did not like. This story could get me killed. I know that. That is why I won't send the story by mail. I know that this is getting to be a long letter. But when you read this if you want the story O.K. If not just let me know, O.K. That way I won't talk to men about it.

"Mr. Sanders there are men in five states that is behind the King killing and they don't know what I know. But James Earl Ray did not. Now that they have Ray Tenn. will trial him if they get him back.

"Well, they want me to testify. Well, I just don't know yet what I will do.

"You see, me and Ray were pal. I could tell what I have to the news. That no much. Or I could not say everything. And I did not tell the FBI. Well, this is not a book. I am just trying to tell you what you ask of me in your letter.

"If you have a man or have someone down this way, if you will have them stop by the jail I will let them read the story and you can go from there. O.K.

"I thank you again.

"I will be looking to hear from you soon.

/s/ "Raymond Curtis

"I am still in the Dalton County Jail."

On July 3, 1968, CURTIS was interviewed at the Whitfield County Jail, Dalton, Georgia, and furnished the following information:

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RAYMOND CURTIS was contacted at the Whitfield County Jail and advised of the identities of Special Agents THOMAS R. HENRY, JR. and ALBERT D. MILLARD. He was furnished a rights and waiver of rights form which he read, indicated he understood, but refused to sign. He was advised that he was being interviewed concerning statements he made in a letter he had mailed to Mr. SANDERS of Ebony Magazine.

CURTIS stated he was merely trying to sell a story to Ebony for approximately \$5,000 to help his mother pay off a mortgage on her home. She had obtained this mortgage as a result of paying attorney's fees for the defense of CURTIS at a previous trial.

CURTIS stated that he and JAMES EARL RAY participated in a burglary in Joliet, Illinois, in October or November, 1954. It was pointed out to CURTIS that certain statements made by him in his letter to Ebony Magazine could possibly involve him in a conspiracy with JAMES EARL RAY in connection with the murder of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CURTIS then stated he wished to go on record as to the statements made in his letter to Mr. SANDERS. He categorically denied the following statements which were in his letter to Ebony Magazine:

- 1) That he and JAMES EARL RAY participated in a crime in 1954;
- 2) That RAY wanted the job of killing KING;
- 3) That he and RAY talked about killing KING for three years;
- 4) That he and RAY talked to the man from Mississippi that knew all about the KK Businessmen's Association which Association was to put up the money to kill KING;
- 5) That he knew the men from Mississippi;
- 6) That for three years he and RAY made maps just to find the right place to kill KING and that he made the maps over himself;
- 7) That he and RAY knew just where they would go after the killing of KING;
- 8) That he was to be in on the killing of KING;
- 9) That there are men in five states who are behind the killing of KING and these men do not know what he (CURTIS) knows.

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On 7/3/68 at Dalton, Georgia File # AT 44-2386
 by SA ALBERT D. MILLARD and
SA THOMAS R. HENRY, JR. :jlh Date dictated 7/5/68

During this interview CURTIS drew two maps setting out how he thought RAY would stalk KING. This map indicated the following towns where he said KING made most of his speeches: Atlanta, Georgia; Little Rock, Arkansas; Birmingham, Mobile, and Selma, Alabama; Jackson, Vicksburg, and Marks, Mississippi.

CURTIS further advised that there was a man living on a houseboat in Vicksburg, Mississippi, on the Mississippi River whose name he would not divulge who was to take RAY down the River on his boat to New Orleans after the killing. CURTIS further advised that in the past he had pulled several burglaries and armed robberies in towns along the Mississippi River and while police were looking for him on the highway he would be on a boat down the Mississippi. He added that he had written a story concerning the KING killing which was currently being typed and this was the story he mentioned in the letter to Ebony Magazine and which he intended to sell to Ebony.

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On July 3, 1968, Sheriff G. T. Mauldin, Whitfield County, Georgia, advised that Curtis sent no letters or communications from the Whitfield County Jail which passed over the jailer's desk. He stated Curtis probably sent his mail out with visitors and jail trustees which would probably not have been observed by men of his department. Sheriff Mauldin stated that Curtis' attorney, Erwin Mitchell, former U. S. Congressman from the Seventh District of Georgia, is of the opinion that most of Curtis' comments concerning his knowledge of Ray's alleged assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. are pure fabrications on the part of Curtis or the result of something Curtis has read in the newspapers.

Approximately one hour following the conclusion of the interview with Curtis, he sent a note to Sheriff Mauldin requesting to again see an FBI Agent and stating that he wanted to tell the entire truth. Curtis was re-interviewed at the Whitfield County Jail.

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July 5, 1968

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RAYMOND CURTIS was furnished a rights and waiver of rights form which he refused to sign. He then stated in connection with the previous interview that apparently in his letter to Ebony Magazine, he used the word "we" indicating that he and JAMES EARL RAY had planned the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., and he realized now this would involve him in a conspiracy. For that reason in the previous interview he denied the statements he had made in his letter to Ebony Magazine. CURTIS then advised he had written a story which he intended to sell to some magazine for the purpose of obtaining money for his mother. He stated the story was still in his possession and had not yet been sent out to be typed. He permitted SA HENRY to read this 20-page handwritten story one page at a time and he declared this story was true. The first five or six pages of the story merely set out his early life in crime and the prison sentences he had served as a result of the crimes, starting at the age of 15. The remainder of the story is the same as he originally furnished in an interview in April, 1968, concerning his knowledge and association with JAMES EARL RAY. The story reflects that he first became associated with RAY in 1954 when they pulled a payroll robbery together in Quincy, Illinois, with a third individual. Shortly thereafter CURTIS lost contact with RAY when RAY and this third individual were apprehended in connection with a bank robbery at Southwest City, Missouri. After that CURTIS again became acquainted with RAY in prison and while in prison they both learned of the death of President JOHN F. KENNEDY. At this time RAY stated the murder of KENNEDY sounded like a big job and he was always on the inside of a prison when big jobs and big money were to be had.

Shortly after the death of JOHN F. KENNEDY, MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. became prominent, and RAY stated on several occasions that somebody was going to kill KING. During this period an individual came into the Missouri State Penitentiary from Vicksburg, Mississippi. This individual upon learning of JAMES EARL RAY's feelings toward killing KING advised RAY of the KK Businessmen's Association of the South

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and stated that people in five states were putting up money for KING's assassination. The story further reflected that RAY informed this individual that he intended to have everything set when he killed KING. RAY followed KING's movements through maps so that he could later stalk KING to the point of assassination. RAY indicated during the time that he would leave a false gun and false trail immediately following the murder. RAY was supposed to go to Vicksburg, Mississippi, following the murder, contact the man from Vicksburg who had the houseboat, and this man was to take him either to New Orleans or Canada via the Mississippi River.

At the conclusion of the interview CURTIS stated he would not testify to any of the above information. He did advise that the name of the individual on the houseboat in Vicksburg, Mississippi, was (first name unknown) WILLETT, also known as "Mississippi," who served time in the Missouri State Penitentiary.

CURTIS refused to allow his story to be copied and stated he would not write it over again nor would he allow the pages to be removed from his prison cell. CURTIS then presented crude sketches of the Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, and the Missouri State Penitentiary.

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)

MURKIN - COST DATA

Re Jackson airtel 6/4/68.

Cost data for the Jackson Division from 6/1/68 to 6/30/68 is as follows:

1. A. Special Agents:
 - Regular Man Hours: 327 (hours)
 - Overtime 187 (hours)
- B. Clerical Employees
 - Regular Man Hours 52 (hours)
 - Overtime None
2. Total Mileage (Estimated) 287 (miles)
3. Unusual or out-of-the-ordinary Expenses None
4. Peak Number of Special Agents Working on Case at Anytime During the Month: 7

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

DATE: 7/5/68

FROM : SA JOHN H. PROCTOR, Jr.

SUBJECT: CHARLES K. SINCLAIR
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference Atlanta letter to Jackson dated 6/18/68.

The writer of the letter sent to RALPH MCGILL, Publisher of the Atlanta Constitution is former Sgt. MARTIN BULLOCK. BULLOCK has written numerous letter of this type [REDACTED]

BULLOCK is subject of Jackson case file number 62-30.

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TO: SAC's, Jackson, Atlanta

✓ FROM: Director, FBI

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ReATtel 7/3/68.

Jackson should make reasonable efforts to identify and interview (FNU) Willett, and run out any pertinent information developed and surep or LHM.

Since Curtis refuses to furnish "his story" for appropriate copying, it will not be necessary for an Agent to have him dictate on a dictating machine in the Agent's presence. Curtis is not to set the terms on which he will furnish information to the FBI, particularly since to date he has not furnished anything of substantive value. Atlanta Su LHM.

For information of Memphis, "Ebony" Magazine forwarded letters from Raymond Curtis, inmate of Whitfield County Jail, Dalton, Georgia, in which he alleged among other things that he and Ray planned the King killing and businessmen put up money for the King murder. Curtis was previously interviewed and furnished nebulous information along the same lines which was run out and nothing of substantive value was developed. (See report of Alan G. Sentinella dated 5/17/68, at Atlanta, copies to Memphis). On re interview on 7/3/68, Curtis originally recanted substantially the whole story he had set out in his letters to "Ebony" but then recontacted the Agents and claimed that the "story" was true. Among his allegations, he indicated that an individual named (FNU) Willett who was also known

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AIRTEL, SAC'S Jackson, Atlanta
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as "Mississippi" was supposed to be contacted by Ray at Vicksburg, Mississippi, after the murder and Willett was to take Ray to either New Orleans or Canada via the Mississippi River in Willetts' houseboat.

As indicated above, the Jackson Office is being instructed to run out the Willett allegation.

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Date: 7/5/68

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(Type in plaintext or code).

Via AIRTEL

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)

MURKIN

Re Atlanta teletype 7/3/68.

RE RAYMOND CURTIS
INTERVIEW IN COUNTY
JAIL AT DALTON, GA.Enclosed herewith for Little Rock and Memphis
is one copy of referenced teletype.

PAUL J. DENNIS, Vice-President, Vicksburg Mid River Service, Inc. advised on 7/5/68, that (FNU) WILLETT owned a houseboat known as the "Nell Willie", a diesel-powered ship capable of travel on the Mississippi. (FNU) WILLETT was described as an elderly man who was crippled and used a cane. He and his wife, whose name is believed to be NELL, took vacation trips on his houseboat approximately twice a year, securing the services of a Mississippi River pilot to operate the boat for them. (FNU) WILLETT is believed to have died approximately two years ago. He is believed to have been a resident of the State of Arkansas and to have docked his houseboat at the Greenville, Miss. Yacht Club.

WILLIE SMITH, a Negro male employee of the Greenville, Miss. Yacht Club, advised on 7/5/68, that the correct name of the houseboat is the "Nell Willis" and that it was owned by a (FNU) WILLIS, who died about two or three years ago. NELL WILLIS, wife of (FNU) WILLIS, is still living and

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residing in or around Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Following the death of Mr. WILLIS, the houseboat was sold to SONNY (LNU), a member of the Memphis, Tenn. Yacht Club, who is believed to be a Mississippi River pilot.

WILLIE SMITH advised that Mr. WILLIS was always considerate of Negroes and gave no indication of anti-Negro sentiments.

UACB the following leads will be covered:

LEADS:

LITTLE ROCK DIVISION

AT PINE BLUFF, ARK.

Will locate and interview NELL WILLIS in order to substantiate information set out in enclosed teletype.

MEMPHIS DIVISION

AT MEMPHIS, TENN.

Will attempt to locate and interview SONNY (LNU) in order to either prove or disprove the information contained in enclosed teletype.

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TO DIRECTOR AND JACKSON

FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

MURKIN

Indy RE BUREAU TELEPHONE CALL TO ATLANTA JULY TWO LAST.

RAYMOND CURTIS WAS INTERVIEWED AT WHITFIELD CO. JAIL, DALTON, GA., JULY THREE INSTANT BY SAs THOMAS R. HENRY, JR., AND ALBERT D. MILLARD. CURTIS IS CURRENTLY CONFINED WHITFIELD CO. JAIL AWAITING APPEAL ON LIFE SENTENCE FOR MURDER. CURTIS WAS ADVISED OF THE IDENTITY OF THE INTERVIEWING AGENTS THROUGH DISPLAY OF CREDENTIALS. HE WAS FURNISHED A RIGHTS AND WAIVER OF RIGHTS FORM WHICH HE READ, INDICATED HE UNDERSTOOD, AND REFUSED TO SIGN. HE ADVISED HE KNEW HE WAS BEING INTERVIEWED CONCERNING STATEMENTS HE MADE IN A LETTER HE HAD MAILED TO MR. SANDERS OF EBONY MAGAZINE. CURTIS STATED HE WAS MERELY TRYING TO SELL A STORY TO EBONY FOR APPROXIMATELY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO HELP HIS MOTHER PAY OFF A MORTGAGE ON HER HOME, WHICH SHE MORTGAGED TO OBTAIN ATTORNEY FEES FOR HIS DEFENSE. AT FIRST HE STATED, WITH REFERENCE TO THESE STATEMENTS, THAT HE AND JAMES EARL RAY PULLED A CRIME IN FIFTYFOUR, WHICH WAS A BURGLARY IN JOLIET, ILL., IN OCT, OR NOV., FIFTYFOUR. AT THIS POINT IT WAS POINTED OUT TO CURTIS THAT CERTAIN

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STATEMENTS MADE BY HIM IN HIS LETTER TO EBONY COULD POSSIBLY INVOLVE HIM IN A CONSPIRACY WITH RAY CONCERNING THE KILLING OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CURTIS CATEGORICALLY DENIED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS WHICH WERE IN HIS LETTER TO EBONY MAGAZINE:

1. THAT HE AND JAMES EARL RAY PULLED A CRIME IN FIFTYFOUR.
2. THAT RAY WANTED THE JOB OF KILLING KING.
3. THAT HE AND RAY TALKED ABOUT KILLING KING FOR THREE YEARS.
4. THAT THEY TALKED TO THE MAN FROM MISSISSIPPI THAT KNEW ALL ABOUT THE KK BUSINESSMANS ASSOCIATION THAT WAS TO PUT UP THE MONEY TO KILL KING.
5. THAT HE KNEW THE MEN FROM MISSISSIPPI.
6. FOR THREE YEARS, THAT HE AND RAY MADE MAPS JUST TO FIND THE RIGHT PLACE TO KILL KING AND THAT HE HAD MADE THE MAPS OVER HIMSELF.
7. HE AND RAY KNEW JUST WHERE THEY WOULD GO AFTER THE KILLING OF KING.
8. THAT HE WAS TO BE IN ON THE KILLING OF KING.

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9. THAT THERE ARE MEN IN FIVE STATES THAT ARE BEHIND THE KING KILLING AND THAT DO NOT KNOW WHAT HE KNOWS.

DURING THE INTERVIEW, CURTIS DREW CRUDE MAPS SETTING OUT HOW HE THOUGHT RAY WOULD STALK KING. THIS MAP SHOWED THE FOLLOWING TOWNS WHERE HE SAID KING MADE MOST OF HIS SPEECHES: ATLANTA, LITTLE ROCK, BIRMINGHAM, MOBILE, SELMA, JACKSON, VICKSBURG, MISS., AND MARKS, MISS. HE FURTHER POINTED OUT THERE WAS A MAN LIVING ON A HOUSEBOAT IN VICKSBURG ON THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER (WHOSE FIRST NAME HE KNEW BUT WOULD NOT DIVULGE). THIS MAN WAS TO TAKE RAY DOWN THE RIVER ON HIS BOAT TO NEW ORLEANS AFTER THE KILLING. HE STATED IN THE PAST HE (CURTIS) HAD PULLED SEVERAL BURGLARY AND ARMED ROBBERIES (HE WOULD NOT COMMENT ON PARTICULARS) IN TOWNS ALONG THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER AND WHILE POLICE WERE LOOKING FOR HIM ON THE HIGHWAY HE WOULD BE ON A BOAT DOWN THE MISSISSIPPI. HE FURTHER STATED HE HAD WRITTEN A STORY CONCERNING THE KING KILLING WHICH WAS CURRENTLY OUT BEING TYPED AND IT WAS THE STORY HE MENTIONED IN THE LETTER TO EBONY AND INTENDED TO SELL TO EBONY.

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SHERIFF G. T. MAULDIN, NA, WHO IS SHERIFF OF WHITFIELD CO., GA., AND OPERATES THE COUNTY JAIL, ADVISED CURTIS HAD SENT NO LETTERS OR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JAIL WHICH WENT OVER THE JAILERS DESK. HE SAID CURTIS WOULD PROBABLY SEND ALL MAIL OUT WITH VISITORS AND JAIL TRUSTEES AND WOULD PROBABLY NOT HAVE BEEN OBSERVED BY MEN OF HIS DEPT. IT IS FURTHER POINTED OUT THAT CURTIS' ATTORNEY, ERWIN MITCHELL, FORMER U.S. CONGRESSMAN FOR THE SEVENTH DISTRICT OF GA., IS OF THE OPINION THAT MOST OF CURTIS' COMMENTS CONCERNING HIS KNOWLEDGE OF RAY'S ASSASSINATION OF KING ARE PURE FABRICATIONS ON THE PART OF CURTIS OR AS A RESULT OF SOMETHING CURTIS HAS READ IN LOCAL PAPERS.

APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE INTERVIEW WITH CURTIS, HE SENT A NOTE TO SHERIFF G. T. MAULDIN REQUESTING TO AGAIN SEE AN FBI AGENT, THAT HE NOW WANTED TO TELL THE ENTIRE TRUTH. CURTIS WAS AGAIN INTERVIEWED BY SA THOMAS R. HENRY, JR., AND AGAIN FURNISHED A RIGHTS FORM WHICH HE REFUSED TO SIGN. HE THEN STATED THAT APPARENTLY IN HIS LETTER TO EBONY HE USED THE WORK "WE" INDICATING THAT HE AND JAMES EARL RAY HAD PLANNED THE KING MURDER WHICH WOULD INVOLVE HIM IN A CONSPIRACY AND FOR

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THAT REASON HE DENIED THE STATEMENTS IN LETTER TO EBONY. HE THEN ADVISED HE HAD WRITTEN A STORY WHICH HE INTENDED TO SELL TO SOME MAGAZINE FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING MONEY FOR HIS MOTHER WHICH STORY WAS STILL IN HIS POSSESSION AND WHICH HE HAD NOT YET SENT OUT TO BE TYPED. HE ALLOWED SA HENRY TO READ THIS APPROXIMATELY TWENTY PAGE STORY, HANDWRITTEN, ONE PAGE AT A TIME. HE DECLARED THIS STORY WAS TRUE. THE FIRST FIVE OR SIX PAGES OF THIS STORY MERELY SET OUT HIS EARLY LIFE IN CRIME AND THE PRISON SENTENCES HE HAD SERVED AS A RESULT OF THESE CRIMES FROM THE AGE OF FIFTEEN. THE REMAINDER OF THE STORY IS THE SAME AS WAS SET FORTH IN THE ORIGINAL INTERVIEW WITH CURTIS IN APRIL, SIXTYEIGHT CONCERNING HIS KNOWLEDGE AND ASSOCIATION WITH RAY. THIS STORY DOES REFLECT THAT HE FIRST BECAME ASSOCIATED WITH RAY IN FIFTYFOUR WHEN THEY PULLED A PAYROLL HEIST IN QUINCY, ILL., WITH A THIRD INDIVIDUAL. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, HE LOST CONTACT WITH RAY WHEN HE AND THIS THIRD INDIVIDUAL WERE CAUGHT IN A FIFTY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLAR BANK ROBBERY AT SOUTHWEST CITY, MO. AFTER THAT HE AGAIN BECAME ACQUAINTED WITH RAY IN PRISON AND WHILE IN PRISON THEY BOTH LEARNED OF THE DEATH OF

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PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY. RAY THEN STATED IT SOUNDED LIKE A BIG JOB AND HE WAS ALWAYS ON THE INSIDE OF A PRISON WHEN BIG JOBS AND BIG MONEY WERE TO BE HAD.

SHORTLY AFTER THE DEATH OF JOHN F. KENNEDY, MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR ., BECAME PROMINENT AND RAY STATED ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS THAT SOMEBODY WAS GOING TO KILL KING. THE STORY WENT ON TO REFLECT THAT DURING THIS PERIOD AN INDIVIDUAL CAME INTO THE MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY AT JEFFERSON CITY FROM VICKSBURG, MISS., AND WHO, UPON LEARNING OF JAMES EARL RAY'S FEELINGS TOWARD KILLING KING, ADVISED HIM OF THE KK BUSINESSMEN ASSOCIATION OF THE SOUTH AND OF THE FACT THAT PEOPLE IN FIVE STATES WERE PUTTING UP MONEY FOR KING'S ASSASSINATION. THE STORY FURTHER POINTED OUT THAT RAY INFORMED HIM THAT HE INTENDED TO HAVE EVERYTHING SET WHEN HE KILLED KING AND THAT RAY, THROUGH MAPS, LEARNED OF KING'S MOVEMENTS SO HE COULD LATER STALK HIM TO THE POINT OF ASSASSINATION. THE STORY FURTHER POINTED OUT THAT RAY ADVISED HE WOULD LEAVE A FALSE GUN AND FALSE TRAIL IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE MURDER. RAY WAS SUPPOSED TO

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GO TO VICKSBURG FOLLOWING THE MURDER, CONTACT THE MAN FROM VICKSBURG, MISS., WHO HAD THE HOUSEBOAT, AND THIS MAN WAS TO TAKE HIM EITHER TO NEW ORLEANS OR CANADA VIA THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER.

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE INTERVIEW, CURTIS STATED HE WOULD NOT TESTIFY TO ANY OF THE ABOVE. HE DID ADVISE IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE THAT THE NAME OF THE INDIVIDUAL ON THE HOUSEBOAT IN VICKSBURG, MISS., WAS (FNU) WILLETT, ALSO KNOWN AS MISSISSIPPI WHO SERVED TIME IN THE MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY.

THE STORY ALSO MENTIONED A MAN FROM NEW ORLEANS WHO COULD OBTAIN ANY KIND OF IDENTIFICATION AND CURTIS LATER IDENTIFIED THIS MAN AS JOE COIN, WHICH INFORMATION HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN SET OUT IN AN INTERVIEW WITH CURTIS. THROUGHOUT THE INTERVIEW WITH CURTIS, AND WHILE READING CURTIS' STORY, HE CONTINUED TO EMPHASIZE THE FACT THAT HE WOULD NOT TESTIFY AGAINST RAY AS HE FEARED FOR HIS LIFE. HE INDICATED THAT ANY STATE PRISON HE WAS SENT TO WOULD PROBABLY HAVE INDIVIDUALS WHO WOULD KILL HIM AS A RESULT OF PREVIOUS INFORMATION HE FURNISHED THE PRESS AND TV MEDIA AND IT IS FELT HE WAS USING THIS AS AN EXCUSE AS TO WHY HE

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DID NOT WANT TO BE SENT TO A STATE PRISON ON HIS CURRENT LIFE SENTENCE. HE STATED HE WOULD NOT ALLOW HIS STORY TO BE XEROXED NOR WOULD HE WRITE IT OVER AGAIN OR ALLOW THE PAGES TO LEAVE HIS CELL. HE DID STATE HE WOULD TRANSCRIBE HIS STORY OVER A DICTATING MACHINE AND WOULD REDRAW CERTAIN MAPS HE PRODUCED FOR HIS STORY.

HE THEN PRESENTED CRUDE SKETCHES OF THE FED. PENITENTIARY AT LEVENWORTH, THE MISSOURI STATE PEN, IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED MAP CONCERNING THE TOWNS WHERE KING MADE NUMEROUS SPEECHES.

WACE, CURTIS WILL BE ALLOWED TO DICTATE HIS STORY ON A DICTATING MACHINE IN THE PRESENCE OF SA THOMAS R. HENRY, JR.

DUE TO THE UNRELIABILITY OF CURTIS, NO LEAD FOR AN EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION IS BEING SET FORTH FOR JACKSON IN CONNECTION WITH IDENTIFYING (FNU) WILLETT, AKA MISSISSIPPI UACB.

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AIRMAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE (44-388) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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CHARLES K. SINCLAIR
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